

# TOWN OF NORWELL



Annual Report 1997



## IN MEMORIAM

During the year we were saddened by the death of  
the following former town officials & employees.

This report is dedicated to their memory.

Barbara Cronin-Basler

Administrative Assistant N.H.S.

George F. Cavanagh

Constable/Patrolman

Wilder A. Gaudette

Supt. Washington Park Cemetery

Chief Election Officer

Allan K. Hamer, Jr.

Advisory Board

Paul G. Jevne

Advisory Board

Arthur H. Muzrall

Norwell Advisory Board

Frances A. Stelnis

Norwell Public Library

Augustin Thibodeau

Board of Water Commissioners

Vivian "Betty" Walsh

Water Department Secretary





# Norwell Plymouth County Massachusetts



1997 Population 9591, Land area 21 square miles, Normal temperature, January: 27.0° F - Normal temperature, July: 70.9° F, Elevation at Town Hall approximately 81 ft. above sea level - Town Meeting form of government with 3- member Board of Selectmen as Executive Authority.

## REPRESENTATIVES IN STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

U.S. Senators	Edward M. Kennedy, Hyannis (D) John F. Kerry, Boston (D)	Governor's Councillor, 4th District:	Christopher A. Iannella, Jr. (D)
Representative in Congress, 10th District:	William P. Delahunt (D)	County Commissioners:	Peter G. Asiaf, Jr. (D) Robert J. Stone (R) Joseph McDonagh (D)
State Representative, 5th District:	Jan O'Brien, Hanover (D)	Sheriff, Plymouth County:	Peter Forman, Plymouth (R)
State Senator, Norfolk & Plymouth District:	Michael W. Morrissey, Quincy (D)		

## Table of Contents

Table of Contents .....	1
Town Officers Boards. Committees, Commissions, Departments (listing of persons who serve) .....	2-7
<b>SELECTMEN &amp; TOWN COUNSEL</b>	
Board of Selectmen .....	29
Town Counsel .....	29
Executive Secretary .....	26
<b>DIVISION OF INSPECTIONS</b>	
Inspector of Buildings/Zoning Officer .....	16
Zoning Board of Appeals .....	16
Inspector of Wires .....	16
Plumbing & Gas Department .....	16
<b>TOWN CLERK'S REPORT &amp; RECORDS</b>	
Births .....	31
Deaths .....	37
Marriages .....	35
Elections, Town Meetings .....	42
Board of Registrars .....	112
Jury List Information .....	113
Burial Agent .....	113
<b>EDUCATION &amp; LIBRARY</b>	
Superintendent .....	21
South Shore Regional Vo-Tech High School .....	13
Library .....	17
Arts Lottery .....	18
Graduates .....	23
School Bldg. Needs Committee .....	17
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	
Police Department .....	27
Ambulance .....	12
Fire Department .....	12
Communications Center .....	28

<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	
Drainage Committee .....	22
Highway Department .....	22
Tree & Ground Department .....	23
Permanent Building & Maintenance Committee .....	21
Washington Street Cemetery .....	10
Board Of Water Commissioners .....	27
Traffic Study Committee .....	18
<b>HEALTH &amp; HUMAN SERVICES</b>	
S.S. Tobacco Collaborative .....	26
Council on Aging .....	30
Board of Health .....	24
Recreation Commission .....	20
Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project .....	8
Veterans' Services .....	10
Cushing Center .....	19
Commission on Disabilities .....	17
Recycling Committee .....	11
S.S. Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board .....	11
<b>PLANNING &amp; LAND USE</b>	
Planning Board .....	14
Conservation Commission .....	14
MAPC .....	8
Fence Viewer .....	10
<b>FINANCES</b>	
Capital Budget Committee .....	18
Assessors .....	22
Insurance Advisory .....	15
Treasurer .....	114
Collector .....	119
Accountant .....	121

TOWN OFFICIALS, BOARDS, DEPARTMENTS &  
COMMISSIONS

Carol Neely 1998

Term Expires

**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

Term Expires

**ADVISORY BOARD**

(3 YRS)

John Mariano, Chr. 2000  
J. Richard Hartigan 2000  
Paul Rattigan 2000  
Kenneth Hogeland 1999  
Charles Markham 1998  
William Shanley, Jr. 1999  
Elaine Reardon 1998  
Mary Cole 1998  
Spencer Joseph 1999  
Jean Eckner (resigned)  
Edward Flynn (resigned)

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

(1 YR)

Jack Bishop 1998  
Raymond Henderson 1998  
(Asst.)

**ANIMAL INSPECTOR**

(1 YR)

(See Inspector of Animals)

**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

(3 YRS)

Richard White, Chr. 2000  
Arthur Lunny 2000  
Dorothy Underdown 1998  
Timothy Timmerman 1999  
Richard Barry 1998  
Nora Gunn 1999  
Jane Leason 1999  
Shirley Bunnell 1998  
Tilda Baldwin 1998  
Edwin Peterson 1998  
Sheilla Violettee 2000  
Charlie Morgan (resigned)  
Leona Guild (resigned)  
Carol Marsh (resigned)  
Meredith Graves (resigned)

**BOARD OF APPEALS**

(3 YRS)

George Gardner, Chr. 1999  
Eileen Kelly 2000  
Earl Opdyke III 1998

**Alternate Members:**

Jeffrey Volpe 1999

**BOARD OF REGISTRARS**

(3 YRS)

Regina Giordani 1999  
Janice Lawson, Clk. 1999  
E. Lorraine MacLeod 2000  
William White 1998

**Asst. Board of Registrars:**

Peter Kapolka 2000  
Joan Connolly (resigned)

**BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Richard McNeil (alt.) 2000

**BURIAL AGENT**

Janice Lawson 1999

**CABLE T.V. COMMITTEE**

(1 YR)

John Metivier, Chr. 1998  
Ruth Horgan 1998  
John Barbour 1998  
Chet Flynn 1998  
Bruce Donahue 1998

**CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE**

(3 YRS)

Michael Hoadley 2000  
James Fitzgerald 2000  
Paul Merna 2000  
Robert Borderwieck 1999  
Sally Turner (Planning Board designee)  
Diane Douglas (resigned)

**CEMETERY SITE COMMITTEE**

Theodore Baldwin  
Charles Dirk  
Alan Fredrickson  
Philip Joseph  
William Lavery  
Wesley Osborne, Jr.  
Clifford Prentiss

**CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

David Nichols

TOWN OFFICIALS, BOARDS,  
DEPARTMENTS & COMMISSIONS

Term Expires

**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

Term Expires

**COMPUTER STUDY COMMITTEE (1 YR)**

Annette Sexton	1998
Robert Raymond	1998
Paul Gaynor	1998
Patricia Crowley	1998
Mary Cole	(resigned)

**CONVERSATION COMMISSION (3 YRS)**

Herbert Heidt, Chr.	1999
W. Clifford Prentiss	2000
Gregg McBride	2000
Burton Bryan	1998
A. Gail Storm	1999
Christine Werme	1999
Kathryn Mudgett	1998

**CONSTABLES (3 YRS)**

Theodore Baldwin	2000
James Calvani	1998
Janet Tulis	2000

**COUNCIL ON AGING (3 YRS)**

Rosemary O'Connor, Director	
Irene Horte	1998
Maureen Cole	1999
Alice Regan	2000
Dorothy Dickson	1998
Nancy Marshall	1998
Ann Horrigan	1999
Ann Valair, Chr.	1999

**COUNTY COOPERATIVE**

**EXTENSION - SERVICE AGENT (1 YR)**

E. Dana Cashin	1998
James P. Kelly, Alternate	

**DIRECTORS OF CUSHING MEMORIAL (3 YRS)**

Sharon Opdyke, Chr.	2000
Susan Donahue	2000
Connie Kieley	1999
Paul Tedeschi	1998
James Fitzgerald	1999

**DESIGN REVIEW BOARD (3 YRS)**

Edward Doherty	1998
George Kelley	1998
Michael Tobin	1998
Bert Speranza	(resigned)

**DEVEL. & INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION (3 YRS)**

Myles Cassidy	2000
Robert Dwyer	2000
Henry DeSantis	2000
Paul Gaynor	1998

**EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER**

David Nichols, Police Chief	
Paul Rosebach, Fire Chief	

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

Annette Sexton	
----------------	--

**FENCE VIEWER (1 YR)**

Arthur Garceau	1998
----------------	------

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Paul Rosebach, Fire Chief	
---------------------------	--

**FIRE FIGHTERS**

Kenneth Benting	
Joseph Davis	
Keith Donaghey	
Arthur Dunton, Jr.	
Mark Engelsman	
Thomas Heaney	
Michael Henderson	
Steven Jackman	
David Kean	
Shane McMahon	
T. Andrew Reardon	
Jeffrey Simpson	
Stephen Sweeney	
Dennis Weber	

**FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Paul Rosebach	
---------------	--



TOWN OFFICIALS, BOARDS  
DEPARTMENTS & COMMISSIONS

**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

Term Expires

**GAS & PLUMBING INSPECTOR (1 YR)**

Edward J. Geswell 1998  
John E. Hoadley, Alt. 1998

**GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE**

(Moderator's Appointments) (3 YRS)

Camille Hudson 2000  
William White 2000  
Cynthia Toomey 1998  
Mary Ann Stilgoe, Associate Member

**GROUNDWATER PROTECTION (1 YR)**

Steven Ivas 1998  
Philip Joseph 1998  
William Mogayzel 1998  
Bertram Phillips 1998  
Ronald Smith 1998  
Richard Twigg, Jr. 1998  
Jeffrey Volpe 1998

**HEALTH AGENT**

Brian Flynn

**INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS (1 YR)**

Heather Thomson 1998

**INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS**

Spencer Joseph, Acting 1998  
James Haehnel (resigned)

**INSPECTOR OF WIRES (1 YR)**

John Moore 1998  
Roy Hansen, Alternate

**INSURANCE ADVISORY COMM. (3 YRS)**

David DeGhetto 1998  
Bruce Burgess 1998  
David Scott 1999  
Kerry Richardson 2000  
Margaret Dawson (Resigned)  
Jeff Helm (Resigned)

**MAPPING COMMISSION (3 YRS)**

Peter Dillon 1998

Herbert Heidt 1998  
Steven Ivas 1998  
Sally Turner 1999

Term Expires

**MBTA DESIGNEES TO ADVISORY BOARD**

Peter Dillon, Mass. Bay Rep.  
Donald LeClair, Jr.  
Allan Ryan, Jr. Rep. to Greenbush Line

**MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE (1 YR)**

Dorothy Dickson 1998

**METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (3 YRS)**

Donald LeClair, Jr. 1998

**NORTH RIVER COMMISSION**

(Not a Town Board of Commission)

Damon Reed  
Arthur Vinal, Jr.

**NORTH RIVER CLEANUP/ad hoc B/H**

William Bernardi  
James Jenkins, Jr.  
John Marshall

**NORWELL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE (3 YRS)**

Donald Shute 1999  
Jayne Magown 1999  
Jeff Angley 2000  
Rev. Richard Fewkes 2000  
Richard Boonisar 1998  
Allan Ryan, Jr. 1999  
Fred Levin(Housing Auth. Rep.)

**NORWELL ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL (2 YRS)**

Maryanne Palmer 1998  
Romalda Blanchard 1998  
Rita Staples 1998  
Mary Kearns 1999  
Jeanne Gammell 1999  
Holly Mahedy 1999  
Ann McLeod, Term Expired

TOWN OFFICIALS, BOARDS  
DEPARTMENTS & COMMISSIONS

Term Expires

**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

Term Expires

**NORWELL COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES**

(3 YRS)

Jean Elder	1998
Gretchen Ecclestone	1999
Francis Nelson	2000
James Haehnel, ADA Coord., resigned	
Frederick Holway, Jr, resigned	

**NORWELL HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

(3 YRS)

Joseph Carty	1999
Robert Norris	1999
N. Scott MacEwen	1999
Paula Donovan	1999
Karen Baker	2000
Carol Mesheau	2000
David Turner, Advisor	
Yvonne Ainslie, resigned	
Margaret Jannino, resigned	

**PARKING CLERK**

Margaret Renaud

**PERMANENT BUILDING & MAINTENANCE  
COMMITTEE**

(3 YRS)

Harry Merritt	2000
J. Lee McKenney	1998
Steven Waitekaitis	2000
Walter MacDonald	1998
Joseph Cronin	1999
John McKay	1998
Elizabeth Kulik	1999
Manny Schembari	2000

**PERMANENT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE**

(3 YRS)

Mark Aigen	2000
Paul Foulsham	1998
Clayton Lewis	1998
Arthur Tolman	2000

**PERSONNEL BOARD**

(3 YRS)

Annette Sexton	1999
Lorraine Olsen	1999
Frank Sylvester	1999

**PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD**

Donald LeClair, Jr.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

David Nichols, Chief

**POLICE SERGEANTS**

John Matchett  
Robert Sullivan  
Carleton Kemp, Jr.  
Dennis Lynch  
Urpo J. E. Nurmenniemi

**POLICE OFFICERS – Permanent**

Gerard Buckley  
Robert Clark  
Robert Clyde  
Neil Connolly  
William Lynch  
Robert Meagher  
John Melvin  
Carol Murphy  
Christopher Nichols  
Theodore Ross  
John Suurhans  
David Zwicker  
William Pasteris  
Ron Fries

**POLICE OFFICERS – Special**

Ralph Anderson  
James Calvani, Jr.  
Walter Crocker  
Patrick McFarlane  
Timothy Hanlon  
James Metivier  
Bryan Durgin

**POLICE MATRONS**

Gail Marsden  
Meri Crowley  
Laurie Croke  
Dawnelle Margro  
Mary Merritt  
Linda Whitcomb  
Virginia Maree  
Janet Tulis

TOWN OFFICIALS, BOARDS  
DEPARTMENTS & COMMISSIONS

Term Expires

**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

Term Expires

**RECREATION COMMISSION (3 YRS)**

Dale Connor, Director  
Paul Crowley 1999  
Norma Tosney 2000  
Patricia Richardson 2000  
Virginia Maree 2000  
Patricia Richardson 2000  
Pam Manning 1998  
Edward Healey (Resigned)

**RECYCLING COMMITTEE (1 YR)**

Joanne Dirk 1998  
Mary T. Derochea 1998  
Robert Kemp 1998  
Janet Watson 1998  
Thomas Merzbacher 1998  
Frank Hogan 1998  
Patricia MacAllen 1998

**REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL PLANNING  
COMMITTEE (Moderator Appointed)**

George Cavanagh  
Joanne Dirk

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

(1 YR)

Brian T. O'Donnell

**SIGN-ZONING OFFICER**

Spencer Joseph (Acting)  
James Haehnel (Resigned)

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT (3 YRS)**

Carol Amado 2000  
Rita Turco, Assistant

**TOWN COUNSEL**

Robert E. Galvin, Esq.

**TOWN TREASURER/COLLECTOR (3 YRS)**

Patricia A. Crowley 1998  
Susan Mills, Assistant

**TRAFFIC STUDY COMMITTEE (3 YRS)**

Maureen Hnatkovich 2000  
Thomas Tajima 1998  
David Nichols  
John Micek 1998  
Angela Denham 1998  
Leann Cavicchi 1999  
Douglas Scott 1999

**TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT  
COMMITTEE (3 YRS)**

Richard Twigg 1999  
Susan Ingram 1999  
Herbert Heidt 1999  
Katherine Tedeschi 1999

**VETERAN'S AGENT - DIRECTOR  
OF VETERAN'S SERVICES (1 YR)**

Dorothy Dickson 1998

**VETERAN'S GRAVE OFFICER (1 YR)**

Wesley H. Osborne, Jr. 1998

**VOCATIONAL SCHOOL - REGIONAL  
DISTRICT COMMISSION**

Robert L. Molla, Jr. 1998  
Richard A. Merritt

**WASHINGTON STREET CEMETERY**

(3 YRS)

Gertrude Daneau 2000  
Theodore Baldwin 2000  
Charles Dirk 2000  
Francis Nagle 2000  
Mary Bertucci 1999

**WIRELESS COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE  
(1 YR)**

John Barbour 1998  
Bruce Graham 1998  
Sally Turner 1998  
George Davis 1998  
Herbert Heidt 1998  
John Lynch 1998  
George Gardner 1998



TOWN OFFICIALS, BOARDS  
DEPARTMENTS & COMMISSIONS

Term Expires

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Term Expires

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS (3 YRS)**

Edward J. Dunford	1999
Pamela C. McLeod	1998
Rosemary Durica	2000

**BOARD OF HEALTH (3 YRS)**

Geroge E. Cavanagh	2000
Peter M. Dillon	1999
John O. Litchfield	1998
Brian Flynn, Agent	(Appt.)

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN (3 YRS)**

Donald R. LeClair, Jr.	1998
Richard A. Merritt	1999
Jean S. Eckner	2000

**BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS (3 YRS)**

Frederick H. St. Ours	1998
Steven P. Ivas	1999
Donald E. Reed	2000
John R. McInnis, Supt.	(Appt.)

**HIGHWAY SURVEYOR/DIRECTOR (3 YRS)**

Paul M. Foulsham	1998
------------------	------

**MODERATOR (1 YR)**

Roger E. Hughes, Jr.	1998
----------------------	------

**NORWELL HOUSING AUTHORITY (3 YRS)**

John F. Carnes, Jr.	1998
Mary Ellen Wetzel	1999
Fred N. Levin	2000
Ann J. Valair	2000
Sylvia O. Caira (Appt. by Dept. Communities & Development)	1999

**NORWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**TRUSTEES (3 YRS)**

Irene W. Paliulis	1998
Mary Ann Stilgoe	1998
Mary T. Derochea	1999
Jeanne M. Hagelstein-Ivas	1999
Meredith O. Atkinson	2000
Christine E. Smith	2000
Diane Kadanoff, Director	(Appt.)

**PLANNING BOARD (3 YRS)**

Peter T. Anderson	1998
D. Avril Forest	1998
Richard W. Twigg, Jr.	1999
Sally I. Turner	1999
Matthew J. Cronin	2000

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 YRS)**

Elizabeth W. Gordon	1998
David C. Ennis, Jr.	1998
Scott A. Babock, Jr.	1999
Margaret C. O'Connor	1999
Patricia S. Kelley	2000

**S.S. REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST. (3 YRS)**

Robert L. Molla, Jr.	2000
----------------------	------

**TOWN CLERK (3 YRS)**

Janice M. Lawson	1999
Margaret M. Tobin, Asst.	(Appt.)

## **REPORT OF PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT**

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 1997.

The Project is a special district created by the State Legislature in 1957, and is now composed of 25 Plymouth County Towns, the City of Brockton, and the Town of Cohasset in Norfolk County. The Project is a regional response to a regional problem and provides a way of organizing specialized equipment, specially trained employees, and mosquito control professionals into a single agency with a broad geographical area of responsibility.

The 1997 season began with an above normal water table which produced large numbers of spring brood mosquitoes throughout the County. Efforts were directed at larval mosquitoes starting with the spring brood. Ground larviciding was accomplished using B.t.i., an environmentally selective bacterial agent. Upon emergence of the spring brood of adult mosquitoes, ultra-low volume adulticiding began. The project responded to a record number of residential complaints during the summer. All sprayers and trucks performed well with little time lost to breakdowns.

Eastern Equine Encephalitis virus was first isolated from *Culiseta melanura*, a bird biting species, by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health from collections in Kingston on August 3, 1997. Of the season's total of twenty three EEE isolates, nineteen were from Plymouth County as follows:

Kingston (8/3(2), 8/26, 9/1, 9/14 and 9/28), Halifax (8/10 and 8/24), Carver (8/10, 8/17, 9/1 (3), 9/7 (3) and 9/14) and Lakeville (9/7 and 9/14). Based on guidelines defined by the "Vector Control Plan to prevent EEE" in Massachusetts, Southeastern Massachusetts will be at a "moderate level of EEE risk" beginning the 1998 season. The recurring problem of EEE continues to ensure cooperation between this Project and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

During the summer of 1997, this Project continued cooperating with the Harvard School of Public Health on a Lyme disease surveillance program in Plymouth County Towns.

The figures to the Town of Norwell are given below. While mosquitoes do not respect town lines the information given below does provide a tally of the activities which have had the greatest impact on the health and comfort of Norwell residents.

**Insecticide Application.** 4,229 acres were treated using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in May and the last in September.

Our greatest effort has been targeted at mosquitoes in the larval stage, which can be found in

woodland pools, swamps, marshes and other standing water areas. Inspectors continually gather data on these sites and treat with highly specific larvicides when immature mosquitoes are present. Last year a total of 116 inspections were made to 99 catalogued breeding sites.

Finally, we have been tracking complaint response time, that is the time between notice of a mosquito problem and response by one of our inspectors. The complaint response time in the Town of Norwell was less than two days with more than 891 complaints answered.

**Mosquito Survey.** A systematic sampling for the mosquitoes in Norwell indicates that *Aedes albopictus* was the most abundant species. Other important species collected include *Culex pipiens* and *Culex impatiens*.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to call our office for the information about mosquito, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.

Submitted by,  
Kenneth W. Ludlam, Ph.D.  
Superintendent

Commissioners:  
Carolyn Brennan, Chairman  
Robert A. Thorndike, Vice-Chairman  
Leighton F. Peck, Jr., Secretary  
William J. Mara  
Michael J. Pieroni

## **METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL - NORWELL**

The Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) is the regional planning agency representing 101 cities and towns in the metropolitan Boston area. Created by an act of the Legislature in 1963, it serves as a forum for state and local officials and provides technical planning assistance and service delivery to its member communities. MAPC works with cities and towns through eight subregional organizations whose members are appointed by chief elected officials and planning boards. The Council provides the subregions with financial, planning and administrative support, and offers technical aid on selected special projects. MAPC is designated Economic Development District of the federal Economic Development Administration and as one of 14 members of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), has oversight responsibility for the region's federally funded transportation program.

MAPC completed another successful year of working with its communities, state agencies, various non-profit groups, universities, businesses, special interest coalitions, state and federal legislators, and other regional planning agencies. The agency held at least 15 regularly scheduled meetings each month,



eight of which were in the different subregions. These meetings plus special workshops, seminars, focus groups, and conferences linked together the hundreds of issues and individuals who are part of the Boston area's and the nation's planning scene. It was this network that provided the energy, vision and focus for MAPC's activities in the region.

After years of concern about the role of local governments in state transportation planning and funding decisions, 1997 saw a landmark achievement in the formation of a new Boston area MPO. The reorganization was the outcome of federally supported mediation, with MAPC serving as a key negotiator for a stronger state/local partnership. MPO voting members now include seven cities and towns, along with seven state and regional agencies, including MAPC. The municipal and regional members of the MPO are responsible for programming about \$40 million per year in local road and bridge projects, about one-third of the total funds available for the metropolitan region. MAPC works with communities to develop a list of local projects to be programmed for funding.

In September, the first Transportation Improvement Program was adopted by the new MPO. The TIP also included \$10 million for "Enhancement projects", and \$3 million for Transportation and Demand Management (TDM) PROJECTS. As a regional planning agency MAPC's role is in both the Enhancement and TDM programs is to solicit proposals and prescreen them for funding eligibility.

As always, the agency also participated in a variety of transportation related projects. One of the major efforts this year involved working on the Transportation Summit meeting that was held in Springfield. This effort was organized to support the reauthorization of ISTEA and help assure that federal transportation funding for New England is not diminished. MAPC completed a three-year Pavement Management system project that involved the inspection of all federal-aid eligible roadways throughout the entire MAPC region. A report on the over 3,000 miles of road that were inspected was submitted to the Massachusetts Highway Department.

A new project that was organized last year was the Metropolitan Greenspace Initiative. Over 65 environmental and historic preservation organizations have indicated their interest in participating in this effort that MAPC is currently staffing. As part of this project the agency has produced a map that illustrates the development growth in the greater Boston area from 1970 to 1991. The accompanying data documents the results of urban sprawl that has occurred showing a 15% growth in land development with only a 5%<sup>^</sup> growth in population. MAPC staff has also been working with graduate students at Harvard Graduate School of Design on a report outlining the potential for open space protection as the region continues to grow. During the

past year the agency increased its association with the Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area planning project with the expectation that the agency will become one of the groups officially involved in the establishment of this new federal/state facility.

MAPC produced a number of publications during 1997. This past year the agency published its first yearly calendar with each month displaying maps containing different demographic data of interest to communities in the region and their residents. The Data Center also published a report, Top Employers, which listed by community the number of employees per establishment in the region. Other recent projects include a Title 5 compliance computer software application for Ashland and Hopkinton, economic forecasting for several agencies, school enrollment forecasts for several communities, and updates to the community profile series. The Data Center, working with Harvard University and the University of Massachusetts Boston, also completed a collaborative project known as the Massachusetts Electronic Atlas. This atlas provides access via the Internet to information on the 351 cities and towns in the state. All the information can be downloaded.

The GIS Lab completed numerous projects for both individual communities and for the region as a whole. Staff worked with Watertown on developing a tree inventory for the community. They also completed a wireless communication siting study for one of the subregions, an open space update for another, and a comprehensive regional zoning report for yet another. GIS staff conducted a number of workshops on parcel data automation and acted as an information resource for municipalities interested in beginning or expanding their GIS programs.

In addition to playing a major role on a number of regional boards and commissions, the staff also applied for and received grants to investigate shared services in one of the subregions and also to help communities deal with the issue of utility deregulation. MAPC continued to participate with the South Weymouth Naval Air Station reuse planning project. One MAPC staff member was contracted to work part time for the Town of Rockland on planning issues related to the base closure and reuse.

In 1997, the agency also completed a project that focuses on opportunities for bolstering the shoreline seafood processing and distribution industries in the Commonwealth, including an analysis of the importance of the industry to affected coastal communities in Massachusetts.

MAPC updated its Overall Economic Development Program for 1997, analyzing the regional economy and economic development needs, and revising the list of projects eligible for federal funds through the Economic Development Administration (EDA).



The agency administered a Community Adjustment Planning Grant provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to examine community responses to defense industry downsizing and evaluate defense dependencies of small and mid-sized municipalities. The project included several focus groups and a regional forum. A final report on strategies to adjust and diversify local economies in response to reduced defense spending will be completed in early 1998.

Respectfully submitted,  
David C. Soule  
Executive Director

### **DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S SERVICES**

This year there are several new benefits available to a veteran and/or their family.

On November 20, 1997 President Clinton signed a bill expanding the start of eligibility dates for Vietnam veterans from Dec. 22, 1961 back to February 28, 1961. So far, this pertains to Federal Benefits only and not to those granted by the Commonwealth.

Are you a veteran and at least 10% service-connected disabled? If so you may be entitled to free eyeglasses. Call the VA Outpatient Clinic in Boston at (617) 248-1377 for information or to make an appointment for a complete eye exam. The VA Clinic is located at 251 Causeway Street and appointments are available as late as 7:00 P.M. Monday through Thursday and until 3:15 P.M. on Friday.

I know you have all heard of Gold Star mothers and wives, but did you know that there is a "Gold Star" lapel pin? Those eligible to receive the pin are spouses, parents or children of a serviceperson killed in the line of duty during WWII. I have tried to find out if this was extended to cover Korea and Vietnam deceased, but even the Department of Veterans Affairs cannot answer my question. I will keep you informed as soon as they let me know.

Under Chapter 139, Acts of 1997 Governor Cellucci has signed into law exempting military retirement income received on or after January 1, 1997, thereby joining the rest of the nation.

Something else that is new from the Commonwealth is a special benefit in the form of an annuity in the amount of \$1,500.00 annually for wartime veterans who are blind, paraplegic or 100% disabled (all service connected) or the parents of a deceased member of the armed forces, whose death occurred as a result of an injury sustained or disease contracted during active service in the time of war, insurrection or combat. For more information and application contact Geraldine Peterson at the Department of Veterans Services in Boston, Telephone # 617-727-3578. All applications will be submitted to the Department of

Veterans Affairs who will certify the eligibility of the veteran.

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary medals D-Day/ Battle of Normandy, the Regional Council of Normandy, France has created a Commemoration Medal. These medals will be offered to veterans or posthumously to one of their family members. For more information on obtaining the medal, please contact Robert McKean at the Department of Veterans Services. Telephone number 617-727-3578, extension 108.

Any veteran and/or their family wishing to contact the Veteran's Agent, please call the Town Clerk's office, at 659-8072, and leave a message.

Dorothy M. Dickson  
Veteran's Agent

### **FENCE-VIEWER'S REPORT**

In 1997 the workload of this office increased so much that the Selectmen offered to triple my salary. To avoid generating wage pressures from other town employees, and after discovering that three time 0 is still 0, I refused their kind offer.

I remain Vice-President of the Association International des Cloture-Voyeux. This world-wide fence-viewers organization did not meet this year owing to the indisposition of the sluggish (and sluglike) president, M. Etienne L'Escargot. However, the Pan-American section met at Batopilas, Mexico, where I presided over the sessions, firming up my connections with the Latino delegates, most of whom will support my expected election to the presidency at the next general meeting (If we can get M. L'Escargot to call one.)

What looks like a pile of rocks at 238 River Street is a "Do-it-Yourself" kit for making a stone wall. The very good looking **Fence of the Year** has an archway and is located at 81 Central Street.

Respectfully,  
Arthur J. Garceau  
Fence-Viewer

### **REPORT OF THE WASHINGTON ST. CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

During the calendar year 1997, there were thirty-three (33) burials in the Town Cemetery, including eight (8) veterans. During the past year the Committee has accomplished the following:

1. Designed & removed intrusive shrubs.
2. Identified & straightened tipping headstones.
3. Updated & verified the burial records and locations.
4. Planted trees in rear of Washington St. Cemetery.

5. Cleaned out and replanted shrubs at the Stockbridge Cemetery.

6. Worked with the Planning Board to include a new cemetery as a part of the Donovan Property.

In the coming year the Committee hopes to accomplish the following:

1. Begin computerization of cemetery records.
2. Assist the Planning Board in getting the Town Meeting to approve the Donovan Property land use – including a cemetery.

The current price of a cemetery lot is \$450.00 with an accompanying \$10.00 recording fee. Lots are still available to town residents **ONLY**, for the burial of immediate family members. Lots are **NOT TRANSFERABLE**, but will be repurchased by the Town. Rules and Regulations are on file in the Town Clerk's office and may be examined on request.

#### Washington St. Cemetery Committee

Ted Baldwin

Mary Bertucci, Clerk

Gertrude Daneau, Chairperson

Charles Dirk, Director of Burials

Frank Nagle

#### RECYCLING COMMITTEE

The Department of Environmental Protection rated 101 communities for their recycling efforts during 1996. Norwell received an "A" for recycling 56 percent of our waste. Norwell increased its recycling effort over the previous year's 20% and "B" rating. We all have reason to feel proud of our conscientious efforts, and the Norwell Recycling Committee thanks everyone who recycles for this well-deserved "A". A certificate was presented to the Recycling Committee for the town and is displayed in the Board of Health's Office.

The Recycling Committee helped promote increased hours at the Recycling Center on Saturdays, allowing for more usage. The Recycling Center's hours since July 1<sup>st</sup> are now Wednesdays from 12 – 3:00 PM and Saturdays from 9 – 3:00 PM. Don't forget that you can drop off yard waste and metal goods. On the first Saturday of each month between April and November, you can recycle paint and used motor oil at this same location. Once a year, in October, you can bring your household hazardous waste in for recycling.

The Recycling Committee sold composting bins in the spring and negotiated with Sullivan Tire concerning disposal of old passenger car tires for \$2.00 a tire during the months of July and August.

In the coming year, the Recycling Committee hopes to accomplish adoption of a "Buy Recycled" policy for all town departments, apply for monetary recycling grants, and increase our recycling effort as well as lower our waste tonnage. We also hope to

promote an educational recycling program in the schools.

#### Recycling Committee

Joanne M. Dirk, Chair

Patricia MacAllen, Vice-Chair

Mary Derochea

Frank Hogan

Tom Merzbacher

#### **SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL PLANNING BOARD**

The South Shore Regional Refuse (the "Board"), is pleased to announce the recent activity, outreach, press releases, and programs have boosted the number of member communities from ten to fourteen. The Board has over thirty volunteer representatives who meet monthly at the Hingham Town Offices to address the solid waste concerns of over 300,000 South Shore residents. We welcome the most recent addition to our roster of active members, the Town of **Abington**.

Once again, a regional contract for grinding services provided eight town with an economical means for handling construction, demolition and wood waste. Next year's Invitation to Bid will feature a **3% discount** for providing more than 60 days notice for services. The new contract will be awarded on a cost per cubic yard rather than hourly basis. In keeping an eye to the future, the Board is continuing negotiations with both the **Bourne Sanitary Landfill** and the **Rochester Environmental Park** to provide disposal access for C&D, difficult to manage waste and asphalt, brick and concrete (ABC).

The most popular of all Board sponsored programs continues to be the Household Hazardous Waste collection contract. Approximately **3,000 vehicles** attended events in twelve towns during calendar year 1997. There were four regional events during spring collections (two towns sharing one location), and **two dozen RECIPROCITY** visitors to events other than their own. A new contract was awarded to **Laidlaw Environmental** in time for the 1997 fall events. Significant improvements in pricing will be realized through the end of Fiscal Year 1999.

The fluorescent lamp recycling program netted a total of **20,950 feet** through November 1997. In addition, **84 pounds** of elementary mercury were processed through the Board's two regional collection centers in Cohasset and Plymouth. This makes South Shore communities **number one** in the Commonwealth for Universal Waste recycling! Congratulations!

Two regional grant applications are currently under consideration with the DEP. The Town of Hingham sponsored one for a **permanent household hazardous waste facility**. If awarded, member communities will be able to consolidate and temporarily



store small volumes of these materials in between regular collection events. The facility is intended to supplement, rather than replace, the current contract. The second grant, sponsored by the Town of Marshfield, is a request for technical assistance to produce a short term contract for the removal of **wastewater treatment plant residual**. The grant has a provision for assessing the political and physical potential of local long term solutions as well.

To increase availability and convenience, the Board opened an Office on Route 3A in the Town of **Kingston** this year. Located at 161 Summer Street, Unit 5 (above the "Nail Detail", the office is stocked with solid waste journals, periodicals, and files on the Board's past and present activities. Anyone is welcome to call the Solid Waste Planner at (781) 585-1626 to arrange a visit.

Town of **Norwell** Representative  
Joanne M. Dirk

#### **AMBULANCE REPORT**

For the fifth consecutive year we have seen an increased demand for our E.M.S. Services, as 1997 proved to be a very busy year. Our ambulance responded to 872 incidents and transported 548 patients to the area hospitals with the paramedic unit from the South Shore Hospital assisting frequently.

As the demands for the hospital based paramedic unit increase every year, the burden to provide an advanced level of training will need to move towards the individual towns. With this in mind, we will explore the options of enhancing our level of care to provide a higher level of service to the community. Norwell, as well as the surrounding towns, have found it efficient and very cost effective to provide advanced care via the Fire Service with cross-trained personnel. We look forward to the challenge as well as the opportunity to upgrade our training and skills.

I would like to thank all of those E.M.T.'s who have devoted themselves through the year to provide Norwell with a high quality service, the Norwell Police Department for their assistance and support, and Laurie Davis, our Administrative Secretary, for her endless efforts in scheduling, payroll, and billing.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Paul W. Rosebach,  
Director of Medical Services

#### **FIRE REPORT**

I would like to start my report by thanking the Residents and Businesses in town for all of their support during 1997.

This was an extremely productive year for the Norwell Fire Department and the future looks very promising. We started the year by sending Firefighters

Keith Donaghey and Thomas Heaney to the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's Recruit Training Program. During these eleven weeks of training they were instructed in all aspects of the ever expanding services that your Fire Department provides.

In February, we took delivery of a new 1250 G.P.M. pumping engine. This vehicle is expected to serve the needs of Norwell for two decades.

Just when we thought we had escaped the wrath of old man winter, mother nature surprised us with a blizzard on April Fools Day. This storm dumped 27 inches of heavy wet snow on us in less than 20 hours. The weight of the snow caused the roof on the showroom at Garvey Oldsmobile to collapse with many new cars still inside.

During the summer months the Plymouth County's Sherriffs Department assisted us in painting the Fire Station on Pine Street. The personnel enrolled in the work release program did an outstanding, professional job and should be congratulated. We are grateful to Sheriff Foreman for his support and assistance which has been extremely beneficial to the Town.

In the fall, we spent many hours in the schools educating our youth in Fire Prevention and Home Safety. This was made possible in part with a S.A.F.E. grant from the State Fire Marshal's Office. In October, we sponsored our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Open House with another tremendous response from the entire community.

This year at Town Meeting we will be asking for your support for the final phase of the Fire Station Project on Washington Street. As we have transferred the land from the Water Department, and completed the design/engineering process, we now look towards construction. With your support we can expect to break ground late summer and expect a completion date in the summer of 1999. The need for this facility is long overdue and will allow us to achieve our goal of **"delivering Fire and E.M.S. service to each and every home and business in less than four minutes."**

As in the past, the dedicated men and women of the Norwell Fire Department have done an outstanding job throughout the year and as always are committed to offer the highest level of service possible to our community. We look towards the Millennium and the challenges that await us with confidence and enthusiasm.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the Firefighters, Career & Call, the E.M.S. staff, our Administrative Secretary, and all other Town Departments for their assistance in 1997.

The following is an overview of our responses in 1997:

Structure Fire .....	19
Vehicle Fires .....	24
Brush Fires .....	60



Motor Vehicle Accidents .....	313
Emergency Medical Calls .....	531
Hazardous Materials Incident .....	42
Power Lines Down .....	78
Public Assists .....	76
Lock Outs .....	157
Assist Police .....	10
Smoke Removals .....	65
System Malfunction .....	91
CO Activation .....	18
False Alarms .....	6
Mutual Aid Fire .....	40
Mutual Aid Ambulance .....	56

Respectfully Submitted,  
Paul W. Rosebach  
Chief of Department

### **SOUTH SHORE VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **Celebration 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Highlights**

To many veteran school district employees and member community citizens it may seem impossible, but this school year (1997-1998) represents the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of partnership and service on the part of the South Shore Vocational Technical High School and its eight member towns. Initially envisioned primarily as a place to learn a trade for those young people whose future plans simply did not include college, the South Shore Regional School District has become much more. By providing truly "comprehensive" education aimed at developing the skills necessary for effective school-to-career transitions, South Shore and vocational-technical education have focused on building school and after school options, at preparing for the world of work, for continued education, for the military, or for whatever career pathway may develop for each young man or woman who attends. In a workplace environment and society in which change is the norm, being prepared for the changes has become critically important.

South Shore currently enrolls 550 students in grades nine through twelve (9-12), including fourteen students from Norwell as of October 1, 1997. Vo-Tech's relationship with students in the community starts well before they ever see the facility in many instances. Through guidance department interactions and visits, an informational contact is maintained. Tours are scheduled, presentations delivered, questions asked and answered. The establishment of career awareness and future planning is stressed, the establishment of career awareness and future planning is stressed, the younger the age the better. The Annual Open House at South Shore is a wonderful opportunity to see and sense the opportunities available. An exploratory program in the early months of grade nine gives further opportunity to try out and discover. once focused on a "major" area

of technical study, the true task of learning to integrate academic, technical, social and employability skills take hold. As Vo-Tech strives to meet the interest and needs of our student population, we look to the broad based complexity of the whole student. Participation in school activities has never been higher, additional sports teams have been initiated, activities such as drama club productions, foreign travel, work sit field trips and cultural exploration, as well as many other events, both on school grounds and off, have added to the complete education and growth of the South Shore students. On the interscholastic athletic front, qualification for the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association state tournament in Hockey and for the first time ever in Girls' Basketball, added excitement and school spirit.

Parents and area employers have played major roles at Vo-Tech in the past year as well. Efforts by parents working within the growing South Shore Vo-Tech Parents Association and on the School Council have added an important dimension and perspective. A goal of regular communication by the school to parents at home has begun to take form through letters, newsletters and phone contacts. It has been demonstrated that increased participation and involvement improves student rates of success. 1997 saw the creation of the first ever Parent/Teachers night dedicated solely to a sharing of information about student performance and teacher and school expectations and plans. Fundraising initiatives have provided social interactions and contributions to student enrichment activities. As importantly, outreach efforts to local businesses and civic groups have resulted in an improved communication about South Shore, its mission and the resource that it represents. Numerous employers and groups have toured, met with school officials and staff, and become involved as providers of cooperative work employment sites or as Advisory Board members.

In November, the first widespread Alumni reunion reception was held with over two hundred attendees. Graduates from the 1960's, 1970's and 1980's gathered to share stories of Vo-Tech, reclaim lost friendships and contacts, and to begin to establish a growing network and base of support for a school which has helped many to launch and maintain successful careers. It is anticipated that more frequent future events will only further enhance the sense of family for all those affiliated with South Shore. That sense of family extends to efforts by departments and students to share their skills with those in the community. As an example this year, outreach by the Cosmetology students into nursing homes and senior centers illustrated a spirit of community service which has long been a hallmark for Vo-Tech. The annual Senior Citizen Holiday dinner once again entertained seniors from throughout the district and served as a valuable lesson in giving, caring and sharing for



students. Clearly, the message of community and service is stressed, as important as employability and work skills, academic development and integration with real world applications, and competency in a competitive world of work. Last June, graduates entered technical fields of employment, entered post-secondary schools, or continue skills acquisition. The graduate from Norwell was David Harring, Jr.

Vo-Tech's staff too has been active and productive. A major initiative this year has been the review, revision and realignment of curriculum, both academic and technical, to best meet the demands of business and industry and the state mandated Curriculum Frameworks. In addition, initiatives have been undertaken to better bridge the transitional instructional gaps between member town Middle School/Junior High Schools and the realities of the demands of high school and the State Assessment Testing programs. This fall a team of South Shore staff presented at a two day Curriculum/Integration Conference sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Education. The ideas exchanged, activities described and genuine interest displayed were a highlight of the event, with South Shore receiving a high degree of recognition. The opportunity to share and contribute to the anticipated benefit of students from many vocational schools was certainly appreciated by all who attended.

It was an exciting year in 1997 at South Shore Vo-Tech, with the promise of even better things to come. With school, parents, business and industry, students and communities all contributing, good things can happen. Community service, building projects, partnerships, curriculum relevance and revision, career preparation and the solid transition from School-to-Work are all made more possible through commitment and cooperation. These 35 years of district and regional partnership have truly sped right past. The Regional School Committee, Advisory Board Membership, School Administration, Staff and Students want to thank the community of Norwell and its citizens for their support and encouragement. The young people of the area are clear the beneficiaries of your commitment to excellence and education, and to the futures for us all. We thank you once again.

Respectfully submitted,  
S.S. Regional School Committee  
Robert L. Molla, Jr.  
Norwell Representative

#### **REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD**

Developers tell us that the boom times are here again and we see no reason to doubt them. The Planning Board received plans for five new subdivisions during the past year, came to a final resolution on four which were already in process, and continues to review

two other proposals. Salori Heights, off Pleasant Street, was denied due to a lack of data and inadequacies in the design.

Herring Run, a three lot subdivision off Tiffany Road, was approved. Town Meeting voted to allow the Water Commissioners to accept 36 acres to be donated by the developer, which provided desired access to potential well sites adjacent to Route 3. Also approved were Parson's Walk, a three lot subdivision off Circuit Street, Laura's Lane, five lots off Jacob's Lane; and Journey's End, a 9 lot subdivision off Loring Drive. The latter is currently under litigation as the Planning Board was sued by an abutter to the proposed development. Also still under litigation is Walnut Tree Hill, a development primarily in Scituate with access onto Cross Street.

Plans were received during the past year for Hickory Hill, off River Street; Masthead Drive Extension; Tiffany Road/Albanese, off Tiffany Road; Hawthorne Park, off Grove Street; and a subdivision off Bowker Street. Deliberations continue on the plans for Black Pond Estates, off Central Street, and Laurelwood, which straddles the Norwell/Scituate line off First Parish Road.

At the Town Meeting the board presented an article calling for a moratorium on Wireless Communication Towers. Upon acceptance of the moratorium a committee was formed, chaired by Sally Turner, which crafted the bylaw accepted at the Special Town Meeting in December, 1997.

The board interviewed three of six respondents to the Request for Proposal for planning the land use for Parcel "A" of the Donovan Property and awarded the contract to Dodson Associates. The process began with a meeting during which all interested town boards presented their priorities and concerns to Dodson Associates. This input was combined with a survey of soil and water conditions on the property from which Dodson Associates was able to develop several alternative plans. Given Dodson's stellar reputation and experience with similar projects, the board is confident that a plan will be developed which represents the interests and desires of the majority of Norwellians.

At the Town Elections in March 1997, Matt Cronin was returned to serve a second three year term. The board decided to maintain its current organization.

Respectfully submitted,  
D. Avril Forest, Chair  
Peter T. Anderson, Vice-Chair  
Matthew J. Cronin, Clerk  
Sally Turner, Alt. Clerk  
Richard W. Twigg, Jr.

#### **REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

The Norwell Conservation Commissioners are proud to serve a town with such demonstrated commitment to preserving scenic and natural areas and

controlling unbridled growth. The paper passing on January 9, 1997 celebrated the Town's procurement of the late Doris E. Donovan one hundred seventy-four acre estate. The Donovan fields, at the corner of Circuit, Forest and Pleasant Streets, have always been an important part of Norwell's landscape and these fields are now protected in perpetuity under the stewardship of the Norwell Conservation Commission. In November we applied for State SANDS Grant to offset the Donovan Purchase.

Eagle Scout projects are underway at the Donovan Conservation Land. Scouts, Bill Shanley and Kevin Campbell are working on developing a trail link to the schools via a footbridge and restoring the skating pond.

Management of the hayfields at Jacobs Farm and the Donovan property is given tremendous support by our resident farmers Joan and Jon Haskins; Alan Thomson; and Jean, George and Kristen Whittaker, who work diligently to preserve scenes of Norwell's agrarian past.

Eagle Scout projects are always well received by the Conservation Commission and Dick Freed's project on the town conservation land off of Wildcat Lane was no exception. Dick developed a trail system in these beautiful woods as his community project. The trail system has opened this conservation area for the enjoyment of townspeople.

1997 Annual Town Meeting brought a milestone in conservation when the "Friends of Jacobs Pond" were successful in their request to receive \$20,000 for the clean-up of Jacobs Pond. Led by Chairman of the committee, Frank Smith of Leigh Road, we were able to fund a weed control project. The project has been a huge success as the non-native species of weed that has been choking the pond was brought under control. Residents of the town have been quite pleased with the results as is evident in the renewed interest in recreational activity at Jacobs Pond. Assistance of the management of the pond will continue through the efforts of the "Friends of Jacobs Pond." We look forward to fund-raising activities, new programs and working with the South Shore Natural Science Center on a pond-monitoring program.

The Town of Norwell has been extremely fortunate over the years to receive gifts of open land. We were favored again in 1997 by two wonderful gifts. Mr. & Mrs. Salice of Summer Street gave the town four acres of forested land off of Summer Street. This land abuts other town conservation land and properties of the Nature Conservancy/Audubon Society. This property is a fine addition to our ongoing effort to create "green ways" in town linking open space areas.

Mr. & Mrs. Wadoski of Westwood, Massachusetts gave another gift of land. The six acres of land off of Mount Hope Street abuts Wampatuck State Park and offers natural resource protection as

the Bound Brook courses through this woodland.

The developers of Ford's Crossing and Farrar Farm Road placed 28 acres of open space under Conservation Stewardship, offering the Town the benefit of open space buffers for these projects.

A new trail was developed at Stetson Meadows through a volunteer effort organized by the North and South Rivers Watershed Director, Steve Ivas, who brought Eastern Mountain Sports together with the Commission. A new trail, new signs, and other amenities were bought with the money donated by Eastern Mountain Sports. The trail day at Stetson Meadows found many town residents working together with Eastern Mountain Sports people to complete the project and enjoy a sumptuous lunch. The Commission thanks Debbie Lenehan of Norwell for spearheading the event.

The Conservation Commission conducted one hundred seven public hearings under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Town of Norwell Wetlands Bylaw. The Commission meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM and meetings are open to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert C. Heidt, Chairman  
Christine Werme, Vice-Chairman  
Burton B. Bryan  
Gregg McBride  
Kathryn Mudgett  
A. Gail Storm  
W. Clifford Prentiss  
Judith Salter, Agent

#### **REPORT OF INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Two long-standing committee members – Margaret Dawson and Jeffrey Helm – submitted their resignations. Both made significant contributions to the re-structuring of various coverages maintained by the Town that have resulted in substantially lower premium. We want to express our appreciation for their efforts.

The Town has broadened its coverage in employment practices liability, and, as of July 1, 1997, has implemented self-insured workmen's compensation.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Burgess  
David DeGhetto  
Kerry Richardson  
David Scott



## REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

There were **18** petitions to the Board of Appeals during 1997. A breakdown follows:

### **Type of Petition:**

Special Permit .....	4
(1 denied)	
Variance .....	3
(1 withdrew without prejudice)	
Site Plan .....	4
Site Plan/Special Permit .....	3
Special Permit/Variance/Site Plan...	1
Site Plan Modification .....	2
(1 withdrew without prejudice)	
Appeal of Building Inspector's Decision .....	1
(denied & appealed)	

The Board of Appeals meets in Room 108 on the first and third Wednesday of the month. All hearings are public and abutters within a 300 foot radius of the subject petition are notified of this hearing. The phone number for the Board of Appeals is 659-8018.

Respectfully submitted,  
G. Bernard Gardner, Chairman  
Earl S. Opdyke, III  
Eileen L. Kelly

### **Alternates:**

Jeffrey M. Volpe  
Carol C. Neely

## REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

The following list is a general review of electrical permits that were filed for wiring. Permits are required for telephone and data wiring by the Massachusetts Electrical Code. Some of the new cables may carry 100 volts or more and must be rated for smoke characteristics and installed for the prevention of fire.

Requirements for residential baths and laundries have been changed to be on separate circuits, as well as, many other new rules.

A new fee schedule will be released as soon possible, as the present one is several years old.

### **List of Permit Applications**

Alarms .....	24
Commercial Renovations .....	58
New Residential Dwellings .....	32
Renovations/Additions .....	107
Pools .....	9
Service Changes .....	83
Service Temporary .....	22
Burners .....	7
Town Property .....	21
Sewage Systems .....	13

Generators .....	9
Appliances .....	18

Respectfully submitted,  
John F. Moore, Wire Inspector  
Raymond Hansen, Alternate

## REPORT OF THE PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR

There were **152** plumbing permits, **100** gas permits and **29** hot water heater permits issued in 1997. The inspector and his alternate are part-time with most inspections done in the early morning or late afternoon.

Respectfully submitted  
Edward J. Geswell, Plumbing  
& Gas Inspector  
John Hoadley, Alternate

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS/ZONING OFFICER

There were **338** building permits issued in 1997. A breakdown of these permits are as follows:

### **Residential:**

New Dwellings .....	37
Alterations/Renovations .....	110
Barn .....	3
Demolish Building .....	4
Garage .....	18
Pools .....	12
Re-roof .....	44
Tent .....	5
Woodstove .....	6

### **Commercial:**

Alterations/Renovations .....	39
Demolitions .....	2
Re-roof .....	6
Shed .....	1
Signs .....	22
Tent .....	13

The estimated construction cost of the above issued permits is approximately **\$12,952,149**.

The Building Permit Fees paid to the Town of Norwell for calendar year 1997 was **\$117,380.85**.

Number of Building Inspections .....	318
Zoning Issues .....	31
Meetings – re: School Projects ....	14
Meetings w/Handicap Comm. ....	18
PBMC Meetings .....	12
Scheduled Inspections w/Fire Chief	59
Meetings w/Town Counsel .....	2
Scheduled Meetings in Office .....	52

We would like to note that our Building Inspector, James Haehnel, has taken a family leave of absence. "Skip" Joseph, our alternate Inspector of Buildings, has helped this department immensely during this time. We wish to thank him sincerely and also the

Selectmen, the Fire Chief and various Boards and Committees for their help and the Citizens of Norwell for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,  
James D. Haehnel, Building Inspector  
Spencer A. Joseph, Alternate

#### **REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING NEEDS STUDY COMMITTEE**

At their July meeting, the Norwell School Committee appointed nine residents to serve as the School Building Needs Study Committee, a requirement of the Massachusetts Department of Education under the terms of the current version of the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Act of 1948. This Committee also functions as the NORWELL 2001 Task Force Steering Committee, guiding a community wide effort to preserve, upgrade, and extend the useful life of Norwell Public School facilities.

On September 23, 1997, after the completion of a comprehensive interview process, the Committee recommended that the School Committee retain the services of A. Anthony Tappe and Associates of Boston, utilizing a \$100,000 appropriation made at the 1997 Annual Town Meeting. This firm has been contracted to complete a professional facilities audit of all Norwell Schools including an analysis of plumbing, mechanical, electrical, structural, and furnishing components. In addition, Tappe' and Associates is developing a long range Educational Master Plan that will qualify Norwell to receive 65% state reimbursement for school renovation and construction.

The NORWELL 2001 Task Force, comprised of over 100 Norwell residents with a broad range of expertise representing a variety of viewpoints, has been assisting the architects and their consultants in specific areas of the data gathering process. The functions of the Task Force have been divided into four subcommittees: Educational Programming, Engineering & Design, Finance and Contract Administration, and Market Analysis. These subcommittees are cochaired by eight School Building Needs Study Committee members.

During the upcoming year, the School Building Needs Study Committee will be making recommendations to the School Committee, and the Town, after an in-depth analysis of Educational Master Planning Options developed by Tappe' and Associates. Opportunities for public input will be scheduled prior to any final Building Committee recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. Jeffrey Helm, Chairman  
Margaret Etzel  
Rebecca Z. Freed

Ralph D. Gordon  
Douglas A. Knowles  
Eliazabeth S. Kulik  
Jacquelyn D. McClean  
Robert L. Sherman  
David W. Truesdell  
Ex officio members,  
Donald J. Beaudette, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools  
David C. Ennis, Jr.  
School Committee Chair  
Richard F. Sulc, Dir. of  
Administrative Services

#### **THE NORWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY**

For close to a quarter of a century, the Norwell Public Library has continued to grow – in circulation, in card holders, in supplementary community services, and in daily traffic. Over half of the Norwell community are library card holders and during the last year maintained a circulation of 116,918 print and non-print items.

This year, again, saw several major improvements to the library including switching over all the computers in the library to Windows-based machines. In addition, we upgraded our Internet service to accept graphical information.

Our Books for Babies and Sleepytime Story Hours continue to attract close to a hundred children; over 230 children attended our Summer Programs. Eighty programs were held in our Community Room with participation by over twelve hundred attendees. While our relationship to the Old Colony Library Network enables users to retrieve items from 25 local libraries, our internet service provides patrons with access to information in libraries anywhere in the world.

In looking forward, we anticipate having to face the reality of being completely out of room – for both books and people. The Library Board of Trustees and the Friends of the Norwell Public Library have already begun the process of research, planning, and goal setting.

Again this year we have requested funding to return the Children's Library to a full-time position; we hope you will support our effort. We encourage your comments and suggestions and look forward to seeing you at the library.

The Trustees of the Norwell  
Public Library

#### **COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES**

With regret, the Commission reports that Jim Haehnel, A.D.A. Coordinator has been on a leave of absence since September. His absence from the Town and particularly the Commission has been acutely felt.



He was extremely knowledgeable concerning the American's with Disabilities Act and very creative in solving the questions of compliance.

The single most important issue before the Commission is the impact of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The past year has seen a continuation of the work started last year by various departments within the Town. Renovations have been completed at the Police Station, there are increased signs at the High School and on the roadways there is a wheelchair lift into the gymnasium at the High School. The Commission would like to commend Rosemary O'Connor, Director of the Council on Aging as the creative force behind the lovely accessible renovations to the Council Building on Pine Street.

Directly the Commission has contributed to the materials for the cosmetic renovations to the wheelchair access to the lower level from the parking lot at Town Hall. We also funded, through the Recreation Dept., the afternoon teachers for the Summer Program for Disabled Children.

A collection of materials concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act can be found at the Norwell Public Library. The materials include videos, a copy of the law, pamphlets, worksheets for assessing your facilities and references for adaptations. The Commission would like to thank the Library for storing and organizing these materials so that they are available to everyone. However, the Commission continues to be interested in acting as a resource and information source.

Spencer "Skip" Joseph is serving as interim Inspector of Buildings, but has not assumed the duties of the A.D.A. Coordinator. However, he is a staunch friend to disability issues and to the Commission. We look forward to supporting him, whenever possible.

The Commission is soliciting new members – both able-bodied and disabled. The actual composition of the Commission is prescribed by law, but must be made-up of both able-bodied and disabled members. Meetings are held monthly at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen H. Ecclestone  
Jeanne F. Elder  
Francis Nelson

#### **ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL**

In 1997 the Local Cultural Council of Norwell received a grant of **\$3,230**. Thirty-four applications were received, requesting a total of **\$19,879**. Eighteen applications were approved and the **\$3,230** in grant money was dispersed to those projects.

The purpose of the Local Cultural Council is to support public programs that promote access, education, diversity and excellence in the Arts,

Humanities and the Sciences.

All of our board members worked diligently to approve only those programs that would benefit the community to the greatest extent possible.

I would like to thank those members of our Council for all their efforts.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Kearns, Co-Chairperson  
Maxine Clawson, CoChairperson  
Jeanne Gammell  
Romalda Blanchard, Secretary  
Rita Staples, Treasurer  
Holly Mahedy

#### **TRAFFIC STUDY COMMITTEE**

The paramount concern of the Traffic Study Committee is the safety of residents and travelers, both pedestrian and vehicular, on the streets of Norwell. The Board of Selectmen appointed the Committee to investigate and make recommendations on issues raised by residents of the town or other Town Boards regarding traffic problems or concerns. We welcome all questions or concerns any citizens may have regarding traffic matters.

The last meeting was held in November 1997 at which time we discussed a request by a resident for a stop sign at the busy Intersection of Longwater Drive and Longwater Circle at Assinippi Park. It was recommended by the Committee that a Stop Sign be erected. The need for turn signs and markings at the high school was also a topic of discussion and is under consideration.

Excessive speed on Route 123 by large trucks, and speeding in general, is a matter of great concern. Diligent attention by the Norwell Police Department and Massachusetts State Police is a major deterrent but citizens also must use caution and restraint in driving practices.

The Committee looks forward to serving the town during 1998

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Micek  
Maureen Hnatkovich  
David Nichols  
Angela Denham  
Scott Douglas  
Leann Cavicchi  
Thomas Tajima  
Christopher Nichols  
Nathan Denham

#### **CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE**

This year saw the resignation of former Chairman, and long time Capital Budget member Diane



Douglas from our committee. A new job has relocated Diane from Norwell. Diane's abilities to carefully listen to, and disseminate the myriad of information we receive will be surely missed. We wish her the best in her new endeavors and welcome new member Mr. Paul Merna on board.

The Capital Budget Committee reviewed requests for capital expenses in the total amount of **\$1,639,770.00**. Capital expenses are generally defined as any item costing in excess of **\$5,000.00** and having a life expectancy of greater than 3 years. After careful review of each request we were able to recommend expenditures to the Annual Town Meeting in the amount of **\$381,000.00** for this Fiscal Year.

The major goal of the Capital Budget Committee has been to establish a six year plan for capital improvements within the Town of Norwell. Our first step was to support the reactivation of the Permanent Building & Maintenance Committee so that they may develop a maintenance and replacement program for our municipal buildings and associated equipment. This year we strongly supported the facilities audit program put forth by our School Department for their buildings and grounds. This will prove to be an indispensable tool for planning our growth and expenditures for future years. We are very pleased with the effort and consideration each department head has put into presenting us with six year projections for their requests for capital expenses. We feel that it is essential that we are proactive, rather than reactive in our capital improvement and maintenance planning.

We believe that foresight, efficient planning and careful review are the direct avenues to fiscally responsible capital program.

We would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Advisory Board and each department head for their assistance in reaching these goals.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Fitzgerald, Chairman  
Robert Bordewieck  
Mike Hoadley  
Paul F. Merna  
Sally Turner, Planning Board Rep.

#### **CUSHING CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors for the Cushing Center are pleased to submit the following report of activities for 1997.

We are thrilled to report that the accessibility program that was initiated for the Cushing Center is complete. Fortunately, much of the work required was relatively minor. Minor changes included re-fitting

faucets and fixtures and providing larger entry doors in the restrooms. We were also able to provide designated handicap parking at the rear of the building. The major hurdle was the installation of an elevator system to provide access to all three levels of the building. The installation and certifications of the elevator have recently been completed and the system is now in service and working quite well. The elevator entry is located at the rear of the building just off the main parking area.

With the completion of the elevator entry at the rear of the building we turned our focus to improving the landscaping at what was formerly considered "the back door". We installed slow growth, low maintenance plantings and ground cover to provide greenery and life to the rear entry. If you have drive down Main Street past the front of the building you have no doubt noticed the beautiful gardens that have been planted and maintained by the North River Gardeners. They have not only improved the Cushing Center but have brought color and beauty to the whole center of town! Thank you North River Gardeners!

With the accessibility issues resolved we can once again offer the building for Town sponsored events. You may contact our Executive Director, Mrs. Margaret Doherty at 659-2674 for details on using the facility. The building is a tremendous asset to our community and we hope you will make good use of it.

We are happy to report that we were able to increase the funds we were able to return to the Town this year. With our accessibility issues resolved and major construction behind us we look forward to even better years in the future. Our bookings for weddings and weekend functions remains strong. The office space rental remains full to capacity. We are continuing our efforts to rent the main function hall during the week. A brief overview is as follows:

Expended:	<b>39,221.56</b>
Function Rentals:	<b>19,700.00</b>
<u>Tenants:</u>	<u><b>21,995.04</b></u>
Returned to Town:	<b>2,473.48</b>

In closing, we would like to thank all the townspeople, and employees for their continued support for the Cushing Center. A special thanks goes to our staff, Peg Doherty our Executive Director, and our Custodial Staff, Bruce and Bryan Melansan. Their outstanding dedication to the facility remains exceptional.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Board of Directors*  
Sharon Opdyke, Chairwoman  
Susan Donahue  
James Fitzgerald  
Constance Kieley  
Paul Tedeschi

## **RECREATION COMMISSION**

Norwell Recreation offered over **200** program opportunities to all ages and interests in 1997. There were over **8868** program participants, which was a **14%** increase over the previous year.

New Programs in 1997 included:

Astronomy, Babbitt Baseball, Biddie Ball, Bruins Game Trip, Christmas Lights tour, Computer Instruction, Massage Therapy, Pumpkin Carving, Shellshock, and a Vacation Guitar Workshop. New programs always meet with varying degrees of success and these were no exception – some flew and some flew out the window!

Other programs with a little longer history continue. For youth we offered wee playtime (toddlers & parents), playgroup for preschoolers, youth basketball, release day activities, ski lessons, gymnastics, afterschool arts, science and sports and fitness programs, school vacation programs, the Easter Egg Hunt, April Vacation Baseball/Softball Clinic, field trips (skiing, roller-skating, bowling, and recreation centers), summer recreation programs —a playgroup for preschoolers, kidscene for grades k-3, and summerscene for grades 2 and older, crafts, watercolors, golf, tennis, and more field trips to amusement parks, hiking, the beach, ice cream shop, and museums. Some programs are cooperative efforts with local organizations or businesses like the baby-sitting course provided by the Norwell Visiting Nurses Association, fitness opportunities at Webb's Pro Fitness Center, discount tickets for the Company Theatre, the Women's Club Bunny Breakfast, or the Herculean Men's Club Event – Norwell Town Fair – where we offer Parade Contests, and the Fishing Derby co-sponsored by DeWolfe New England. For adults and teens we offer many activities such as workreation – a teen volunteer program, dog and puppy training, C.P.R., first aid, women's softball, golf, coed volleyball, coaching certification, field trips to New York or Boston's theaters and skiing, rock climbing, basket making, yoga, body sculpting, and a variety of workshops and seminars. The Job Bank provides a list of teens willing to baby-sit, do yard work, and odd jobs which gives residents a valuable resource. We will look into any program suggestion because others may like your ideas! You can see the variety is only limited by our imaginations (and resources).

The value we offer seems supported by our high participant numbers. The budget monies cover the administrative costs of providing recreation services and the staffing for the three general summer playground programs. In 1997, \$16,725 was deposited into the general fund, which offsets our budget request so the bottom line for Recreation is \$67,107. In addition, more than \$110,000 was spent on activities totally supported by participant fees. All other activities and services (98% of the programs) have continued

because the participants pay all costs with fees. It is our hope that Norwell voters continue to recognize the importance of recreation through public support and not just by one's ability to pay!

Program scholarships are still offered and used by many families and we welcome contributions to cover those costs! It becomes clear that increasing fees does impact families who can continue to benefit by recreational services. The Workreation program is where teens volunteer to assist in various capacities in exchange for credit toward recreation activities. We had about 35 teens volunteer almost 600 hours! There were more than 1950 hours that adults volunteered with coaching, teaching, supervising field trips; conducting special events, program assistants, commission members, maintenance projects, etc. That certainly deserves a huge thank you!

Norwell is fortunate to have commission members dedicated to public recreation programs and facilities. Chairperson is Norma Tosney. Paul Crowley as Vice-chair, Ginnie Maree, Pam Manning, and our new member, Pat Richardson all contribute time, energy, and various areas of expertise. Ed Healey resigned after 10 years of valuable service to the community. We wish to thank all members for their interest, their support and their time!

Leadership quality is perhaps our best asset. Through the Recreation Director, Dale Connor; Program Coordinator, Sue Sinuc; and the many excellent program instructors and leaders efforts, knowledge, dedication, concern, and enthusiasm, Norwell is provided with recreational service envied by many neighboring communities. We extend our appreciation for all their exceptional efforts.

The Recreation Commission thanks the School Department for their field maintenance and improvements. Without these cooperative efforts, our programs would be more limited and/or costly. Each year the Town relies more and more upon other organizations within town, such as Little League, Girls Softball, Youth Soccer, and Youth Lacrosse to help with the maintenance expenses of the facilities they use.

We mail our seasonal brochure four times a year to every Norwell postal customer. Our challenge continues to be funding support and improved recreational facilities, which seem to be lacking in this area. Participant feedback and numbers show support for services with continual requests for more. We take pride in our response to your interests and needs and hope to hear your ideas! We have programs for all ages, all interest levels. Take a look at one and join us in a future program!

*This is your Recreation Department!*

Submitted by,  
Dale Connor, Director



Norma Tosney, Chair  
Paul Crowley, Vice-Chair  
Ginnie Maree  
Pam Manning  
Pat Richardson

### **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Norwell Public Schools has experienced a tremendous amount of change during the past four years. Through retirements and career advancement, all ten administrative positions have changed during this period. Most recently, Bruce Marshman has retired after 26 dedicated years of service to Norwell, the last six as principal of Norwell High School, and Dr. Paula Delaney has become Director of Instructional Services. During these same four years, our school enrollment has increased by more than 12%, necessitating a major school reorganization in 1996-1997.

Yet, despite all these changes, Norwell schools and students continue to excel. On the Iowa Reading Test administered statewide to all grade 3 students last spring, the **average** score of our students was higher than 81% of the students in the national norm group (versus a state average percentile of 64), and our overall school performance was better than 96% of the schools in the national norm group. Similarly, on the Iowa Test of Educational Development, our grade 10 **average** was at 82<sup>nd</sup> percentile for students and at the 96<sup>th</sup> percentile for schools. Moreover, on the Scholastic Achievement Tests, the class of 1997 had a combined **average** of 1074, compared to the state and national average of 1016, even though 96% of our seniors took the test compared to 80% and 42% respectively for the state and country.

How is it that Norwell Public Schools is able to perform so well in the face of so many changes? The answer is quite simple: a highly experienced and dedicated staff; supportive and involved parents; eager and talented students; and a community committed to quality education. It is the winning combination and the keen recognition by our teachers and administrators that in a fast paced, rapidly changing world, we cannot afford to sit on our laurels.

It is the belief that we must continuously improve that has prompted a number of curriculum initiatives in 1997-98. This year, for the first time, Norwell Public Schools has issued comprehensive, kindergarten through grade 12 *Curriculum Standards* in English Language Arts and Mathematics. Complementing the state's *Curriculum Frameworks*, these documents are designed to prepare our students for the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests to be administered to all students in grades 4, 8, and 10 beginning this spring. *Curriculum Guides*, one page summaries per grade level, for these subjects are also being developed and will be

distributed to all parents this September.

The selection process for textbooks and materials to complete the Reading/Language Arts adoption in grades 5 through 12 is underway, as is the adoption process for a new Mathematics series in kindergarten through grade 4 for the fall. A Science Curriculum Committee is also being formed to develop *Curriculum Standards* for that subject, and a new standardized testing series is being considered to supplement the MCAS tests in order that we can better assess the progress of our students and the effectiveness of our curriculum.

With Norwell's winning combination of people, a strong belief in continuous improvement, and our unwavering focus on the needs of children, I am confident that our schools and students will continue to be successful regardless of the changes and challenges ahead. With your help and support, Norwell Public Schools will continue its proud tradition of providing ***Pathways to Success*** for each and every child.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald J. Beaudette, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

### **PERMANENT BLDG. & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE**

During the year the odds and ends of the Roofing and ADA work at the town schools, highway department and Cushing Center were completed. Most notably the installation of the Handicapped Elevator at the Cushing Center.

The Town Meeting of May 5, 1997 appropriated monies for the Fire Chief to be expended for plans & specifications for a Fire Station to be located in the west end of town. Since approval of this funding (July 1, 1997) the P.B.M.C. and the Fire Chief have been working together to finalize plans and specifications to present to the Town at the Annual Meeting scheduled for May 4, 1998.

In September we advertised for R.F.P.'s from Architectural/Engineering firms and received seventeen (17) proposals. After reviewing all of these proposals, we reduced the list to three (3) firms and conducted interviews with them. Following the interviews the members of the P.B.M.C. voted unanimously to recommend The Carrell Group to the Board of Selectmen.

Once the design fee was established and The Carrell Group was chosen by the Selectmen, the P.B.M.C. and the Fire Chief have been working weekly with The Carrell Group on the design plans. Work has progressed very well and we are in hopes of presenting completed plans and specifications to the Annual Town Meeting on May 4, 1998.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Harry A. Merritt, Chairman  
Walter F. Macdonald III, Secretary  
Steven Waitekaitis  
Lee McKenney  
Liz Kulik  
Joseph Cronin  
Emanuel Schembari

#### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

The Board of Assessors reports the following values for taxable property established as of January 1, 1997 (Fiscal Year 1998):

<u>Class</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>%</u>
Residential	847,835,300	82.8910
Commercial	124,612,900	12.1831
Industrial	35,395,400	3.4605
Personal Prpty.	14,988,200	1.4654
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,022,831,800</b>	<b>100.000</b>

Pamela McLeod, a longtime Board member has decided not to run for re-election in the upcoming March elections. Pam will be missed!

Acting under a directive received from the Commonwealth's Department of Revenue, the Board and staff began a program to perform interior and exterior inspections of all residential and commercial property in the Town. Our initial plan was to accomplish these inspections over a three-year period. In order to implement this program the Board hired four persons on a contract basis. During the summer months of 1997, a total of 1,250 homes were inspected. Due to scheduling problems we were not able to complete the interior inspections of almost 250 of these homes. The interior inspections of these properties will be completed on a priority basis in the spring of 1998 and additional inspections will also be accomplished.

The Board shares the concern of many citizens with our ever-increasing tax rate. We therefore, strongly recommend your attendance and involvement at Town Meeting so that your voice may be heard.

The staff and Board are at your service to explain Board policies, to answer valuation questions and to assist the taxpayers with any other assessment questions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pamela McLeod, Chairman  
Edward J. Dunford  
Rosemary Durica

#### **PERMANENT DRAINAGE STUDY**

We hereby submit the Permanent Drainage

Study Committee's Annual Town Report.

The Permanent Drainage Study Committee has completed its 3<sup>rd</sup> year in existence after being re-activated due to citizens concerns regarding poor drainage throughout the Town. This committee has submitted articles for the Annual Town Meeting pertaining to the implementation of drainage in problem areas, but regrettably these articles have been defeated.

As a committee, we review proposed sub-division and septic system plans that could possibly impact town roadways or abutters and make recommendations or express our concerns to the appropriate Board.

With building on the rise in town, we are kept extremely busy and meet monthly at the highway department office the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM.

This year at Annual Town Meeting we will again be seeking your support for funding to alleviate some of the pressing drainage problems.

Respectfully submitted,  
Permanent Drainage Study Committee

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

I hereby submit my Annual Town Report for the Highway Department.

With Norwell growing by leaps and bounds, each and every department must supply to the citizenry an acceptable level of services, plus operate within the realms of modest budgets.

As always, the highway department strives to maintain the Towns infrastructure regularly. Resurfacing Town Ways is, by most accounts, the most important consideration when putting together maintenance programs. I have been extremely fortunate to get this across to the public, in some cases the utility companies, and other town boards that may directly or, indirectly influence funding proposals. This past season, roads that were resurface in part or in whole include: Mt. Blue Street, Lincoln Street, Hemlock Drive, Forest Avenue, Forest Street, Jacobs Lane, Cross Street and Pleasant Street. 14,010.24 tons of asphalt was used to complete these roads.

The crack sealing program that I initiated in 1995 using reinforced liquid asphalt has been extremely successful. Approximately 75% of the Town has been covered initially, necessitating only touchup work when new cracks materialize. This process is needed to keep water from getting underneath the asphalt and freezing or undermining the road which can cause more cracking, frost heaves and potholes.

The topic of drainage seems to disappear during dry spells only to resurface during heavy rains or snow melt. Although no money is budgeted for this department, small jobs are routinely done to prevent



water from running out onto the roads causing icing problems during winter months. Some of these jobs were completed on Green Street, Wildcat Lane, Old Pottery Lane, Winter Street and Parker Street. Many other non-critical drainage problems are resolved during resurfacing by crowning the road and adding berms & swales to channel running water to a point of discharge.

The winter seasons of the past few years have been "hop scotching" on a regular basis. One-year total devastation with record snowfall amounts, the next year mild and wet. The only constant in this equation is department preparedness! In mid-September this department takes stock of supplies and equipment, making necessary repairs etc. The majority of our snow removal equipment is between 10 – 20 years of age, making in-house maintenance a full time job. If the sand/salt shed is empty, which it usually is in the fall, that too must be restocked which can cost at a low bid price between \$25,000 to \$30,000 to fill. The April Fools Day storm took a major toll on all of our plows. Each and every one of them had to be sand blasted, welded, straightened, and repainted. This task alone took almost four weeks in-house. What most do not realize is that we could go an entire season with relatively mild weather and no appreciable snowfall, and still spend the snow & ice removal budget by sanding alone. When you consider most sanding operations are done at night or early morning hours, when temperatures are at their lowest, this is an overtime situation; weekends and holidays must also be covered at overtime rate.

Routine maintenance done by this department is always performed regularly or on an as needed basis. Pothole repairs, street sign repair and replacement, catch basin cleaning and rebuilding, street sweeping, drainage work, easement clearing and citizens requests make for "never a dull moment" in this department.

The Recycling Area at the highway yard is extremely successful. I wish the Recycling Committee continued success. I would like to thank William Gunderway and Harold Tuttle for keeping the area well-maintained, clean and running smoothly. I would like to thank the highway department employees, Jon Haskins (foreman) Steve MacInnis, Chris Cowden, Mark Allegra, Andrew Snow, Linda Murphy, and the many contractors for their continued dedication to this department and the Town. I would also like to extend my appreciation to the many Boards, Commissions, and Committees for their continuing efforts to make Norwell what it is today.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul M. Foulsham  
Highway Surveyor/Director of  
Lands & Natural Resources

**TREE & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT**

I hereby submit my Annual Town Report for

the Tree & Grounds Department.

The Tree & Grounds Dept. begins its year by going over and repairing all necessary equipment used for maintaining school and public grounds with the utilization of any clear days for tree removal and roadside mowing.

In mid-March, or when the snow starts to melt, work begins on all the athletic fields for the preparation of Spring sports season. This work includes; aerating, fertilizing, over-seeding, edging and related work. With the Town and sports interest growing, these fields are being used 7 days a week and showing signs of deterioration. Most fields are being used for its primary sport and then a second or third use due to the lack of sufficient space, causing these fields untold damage. Currently they are used three seasons of the year. Without rest, there is little hope of establishing a healthy turf.

During the Spring & Summer months, all street signs and intersections are trimmed to improve visibility. The roadside flail mower work is continuing with great success. Now that most roadsides have been cut back at least once, the mower can move along at a far greater pace.

Although this department does not own its own tree removal or bucket truck, we still remove approximately 50-75 dead or hazardous trees by contracting the work out. Eastern Edison is still working with this department along the power lines to facilitate tree trimming and removal throughout Town to cut down on power outages.

The Washington Street Cemetery continues to be meticulously maintained. Most of the walkways have been re-excavated, edged, borders installed and filled with stone dust. Interments are still being performed by Town department personnel and equipment, keeping the cost down and doing a professional job during a most stressful time.

I would like to thank the Tree & Grounds Department employees Mark Smith (foreman), Mark Walther, James Murphy, William Lavery, and Linda Murphy for their continued dedication to this department and the Town. I would also like to thank the many Boards, Commissions, and Committees for their continuing efforts to make Norwell what it is today.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul M. Foulsham  
Director of Land & Natural  
Resources/Highway Surveyor

**NORWELL HIGH SCHOOL  
CLASS OF 1997**

Elaine Alex  
Adam Edward Alpert  
\*Melissa Lynne Anderson

\*Tiffany Soule Anderson  
 \*Holly Jacqueline Aprea  
 \*Amy Thatcher Barao  
 \*Margaret Germaine Barao  
 Katy Alison Bayard  
 William Lester Bennett  
 Stephen Thomas Boden  
 \*Michael Lewis Brosnahan  
 Angelia Maria Caruso  
 Miguel Angel Castellano  
 Arthur Francis Choate, II  
 \*Christine Marie Clark  
 Christopher Michael Costa  
 \*Kaitlin Patricia Cox  
 David Wheeler Crowell  
 \*Faith Emily Darling  
 Kevin Michael Dawyskiba  
 \*Rebecca April Denham  
 Lesley Tedeschi Donoghue  
 \*David Andrew Donovan  
 \*Kate Elizabeth Dorney  
 \*Jason Michael Dougherty  
 Andrew Sheehan Durica  
 Christopher Arthur Evans  
 \*Benjamin Lamar Falkner  
 Suzanne Marie Forrest  
 \*Richard Louis Freed  
 Sean Robert Gallagher  
 David Blair Goodhue  
 Casey Gloria Holmes  
 Timothy Hamilton Howe  
 Jennifer Lynn Hunt  
 \*Richard Chad Hunt  
 Bonnie Lynn Hunter  
 Dana Ward Isola  
 Andrea Kristen Johnson  
 Garrett Paul Jones  
 \*Amy Elizabeth Kavanaugh  
 \*Eric Alden Kelley  
 Kristin Bryn Khachadoorian  
 \*Anne Frances Kittler  
 Amanda Baldwin Laban  
 Brenda Marie Lane  
 Brad Walter Larsen  
 Kathleen Sullivan Laubinger  
 Amy Marie Leckinger  
 Matthew Michael Lewis  
 Theodore Garrett Liddell  
 Laura Catherine Lignowski  
 Kerri Michelle Loughlin  
 Elise Marie MacCurtain  
 Scot Colin MacDonald  
 Christopher MacNeil  
 John William Mahoney  
 Jennifer Lynne Malley  
 Terrence Michael Manning, Jr.  
 Andrew Scott Marchetti

Daniel Leo Martin  
 \*Jill Aubry McCoy  
 Cara Marie McHugh  
 Kim Elizabeth Melanson  
 Christopher Adam Molla  
 Thomas Joseph Moses  
 Barry John Neely  
 Jennifer Lee Neves  
 \*James Henry O'Brien  
 Erin Eileen O'Neil  
 Michael Paul Panarelli  
 Michelle Lynne Peterson  
 Jared Alden Pinkos  
 Craig Michael Ryans  
 \*Susan Marie Sabadini  
 Derek Michael Smith  
 Jared Joseph Smith  
 Matthew Patrick Spearin  
 Alicia Christine Spradlin  
 Angus Wesley Stewart  
 Matthew Paul Thornton  
 \*Seana Marie Toomey  
 Allan Gerard Vacha  
 Alex Waterman Waldron  
 Vicki Walker  
 Stephen Joseph Ware  
 Courtney Elizabeth Wieden  
 Charlotte Mary Wolfe  
 Rachel Rebecca Wolfe  
 Brian Forbes York

\*Denotes National Honor Society

#### **BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT**

1997 was a year of progress and transition in the Board of Health Office. After many years of sharing an office with the Building Department and Zoning Board of Appeals, the Board moved to a new office located on the lower level of the Town Office Building in September. The move was necessitated by the need to set up three (3) new computer stations in the office. The funds for the equipment, software and office buildout were provided by a \$20,000 Department of Environmental Protection grant program designed to provide local Boards of Health with the opportunity to take advantage of the ever changing technology, communications and resources available today. To ease the workload on the Health Agent the Board has utilized the services of Food Consultant, Bob Griffen, for food inspections. Bob is a State Certified Health Officer with twenty-three (23) years experience with the Massachusetts Department of Food and Drug Services. Along with his experience, Bob possesses tremendous people skills. The feedback from the food operators has been positive as the inspections have been very informative and educational for them.

As new Title 5 approaches its third anniversary,



most of the kinks appear to be worked out and the Board has grown comfortable working with it. The most controversial issues remain Title 5 inspections at the transfer of property and the mounded septic systems. Without question the Title 5 inspections have created a hardship for many selling properties. The Board was pleased when in August the Department of Revenue announced a Title 5 Bank Loan Program and State Income Tax Credit. Loans are available to repair failed septic systems at zero, three or five percent interest depending on homeowners income and market area. The loans are secured by a subordinated, non-assumable mortgage. The success of this program was quickly realized in Norwell, when a senior citizen living on Social Security obtained a \$7000 loan at zero percent interest. Her payments are deferred until either she sells her house or someone inherits the property, at which time full payment must be made. State income tax credit is now available for septic repair costs at the owners principal residence. The credit is equal to forty (40) percent of design and construction expense, not to exceed \$15,000. The maximum credit is \$6000 and limited to \$1500 in any tax year beginning January 1, 1997.

On the subject of mounded septic systems, the Board has to agree that they can be unsightly. In most cases these mounds are replacing existing systems that were set into seasonal high groundwater. When these systems are upgraded, Title 5 requires that the bottom of the systems be four (4) or five (5) feet above groundwater, depending on the soil. Proper treatment is obtained by filtration through unsaturated soils to remove pollutants prior to entry into the saturated zone. Once pollutants enter the saturated zone, they travel unimpeded until they reach wetland vegetation, which provides the next treatment stage. While these systems are not aesthetically pleasing, they are essential to improving the quality of our groundwater. When raised systems are required for a new home in an area with high groundwater, the foundation level is also raised to ensure a dry basement. Fill is brought in and when the lot is graded out, there is no mound in the septic area. Four (4) feet of natural permeable soil must be present below the fill and this must be verified by percolation testing.

Due to a town meeting vote, brush was discontinued and will no longer be accepted at the recycling area. Residents may still bring white goods, metals, leaves and grass clippings, as well as picking up composting and wood chips.

The Board of Health has completed the registration of approximately six-hundred and fifty (650) private drinking water and irrigation wells. Using money from a State Grant the Board of Health is currently completing a computer based mapping program. This mapping program combined with databases of failed septic systems, soil type, water supply locations and

other environmentally critical areas will be used to identify and prioritize locations that should receive low interest loans for septic system repair.

A final thanks to all Norwell Boards and Committees and the residents who have cooperated and assisted us through this year.

**The Board held seventeen (17) regular Board of Health Meetings and one (1) Special Meeting.**

#### HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

Complaints	14
Swimming pool/jacuzzi inspections	8
Percolation tests/groundwater obsrv.	169
Septic system final inspections	141
Plan review (Septic, Planning, ZBA)	135
Food service inspections	149
School Inspections	14
Municipal building inspections	13
Communicable diseases recorded	22
Water samples for lab analysis	5
On site/office consultation	85

#### PERMITS ISSUED IN 1997

Tobacco sale permits	8
Milk & Cream permits	46
Food service establishment permits	39
Retail food store permits	26
Catering function permits	22
Catering establishment permits	5
Massage facilities permits	6
Therapeutic massage permits	15
public/semi public pool permits	7
Public/semi-public hot tub/jacuzzi	1
Swimming pool installation permits	12
New commercial disposal works permits	2
Commercial disposal works permits	3
New residential disposal work permits	50
Residential disposal works permits	80
Sun tanning bed permits	3
Funeral director permits	2
Motel permits	3
Overnight camp/trailer park permit	1
Recreational camp permits	3
Trailer park permits	2
Disposal works installer's permits	49
Septic hauler's permits	26
Medical waste hauler's permits	4

Also: Monthly fees for two (2) mobile home park space fees and reimbursement for recycling white goods and metals.

**A total of \$66,979.45 dollars for permits, fees, etc were**

turned into the Treasurer/Collector.

Respectfully submitted,  
George E. Cavanagh  
John O. Litchfield  
Peter M. Dillon

#### **SOUTH SHORE BOARDS OF HEALTH COLLABORATIVE TOBACCO CONTROL**

The S.S. Boards of Health Collaborative Tobacco Control Program continues to provide educational resources, advocacy services and legislative initiatives through funding provided by the Health Protection Fund established by the legislature upon passage of the Tobacco Excise Tax in November of 1992. Compliance checks conducted by the Collaborative and John Melvin, Norwell's D.A.R.E. Officer, have continued to be positive. Susan Cronin, Health Educator for the Collaborative, also works with the Norwell Visiting Nurse Association providing in-service training for their employees. We do appreciate the continued efforts of the Collaborative and John Melvin who continue to work together to "help make smoking history" in Norwell.

#### **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

The staff of the Selectmen and Executive Secretary's Office continues on a daily basis to discharge the policies and directives of the Board of Selectmen, Town Meeting, and the Town Bylaws. 1997 was an active year with challenging experiences for this office.

Once the Donovan Property was turned over to the Town, we had the homes appraised, divided the house lots, and marketed the houses. The process of preparing the bid documents and trying to market houses according to State Law is not a common practice. The 1809 circa home passed into private ownership in 1997. We were very fortunate to have the services of the former caretaker, Steve Simmons, who was of great assistance to all concerned in maintaining and being available to open the homes for showing.

This office worked in collaboration with the School Department on the bids for the leasing and lighting of the high school athletic fields. Unfortunately, the two bids received in October were so seriously flawed that they had to be rejected. It was mutually decided that after the new zoning by law for wireless communication was passed at the Special Town Meeting that a new bid would be released through the Selectmen's Office with new locations. In December 1997, the Town held a Special Town Meeting at which time they passed a new wireless communication by law. Work immediately began on the preparation of a new bid for sites at the high school athletic fields and

the Pine Street Fire Station.

As the Town's chief administrator and a member of the Computer Study Committee this office implemented the first phase of a planned three-year effort to bring the computers in the Town Hall up-to-date. At the end of 1997 every office is compatible and has either installed or updated their PC and will be ready for networking in 1998.

As a member of the new Personnel Board and since the Asst. Executive Secretary is the Personnel Board's liaison, 1997 was a busy year for partaking in the review of all the non-union personnel's job descriptions and the Personnel Plan. Upgrades and benefit changes were presented and passed at the Annual Town Meeting.

The negotiations of the three-year contract with the Police Association and the acceptance by Town Meeting of the Quinn Bill took time but were rewarding.

At the recommendation of the Insurance Advisory Committee, the Town became self-insured in 1997 for worker's compensation. The basis of this recommendation was the outstanding injury and loss record of Town employees. Paying as we go would be less expensive than a yearly premium. All the reported injuries, bills, and claims are processed through the Assistant Executive Secretary. Peg will continue to also process all liability insurance claims that are generated by the school and general government departments.

Peg our "personnel" officer, again arranged to have the Town meet its obligations by setting up a harassment workshop for all town supervisors, committees, and boards. After the showing of a film issued by MCAD, Attorney Paul Hodnett was present to answer any questions.

As of 1997 the Town added criminal background checks for all new employees and volunteers. These checks will be processed through the Assistant Executive Secretary. Chief Nichols held a workshop for all town supervisors explaining the need for CORI checks on employees who work with children, elderly, or sensitive documents.

The Selectmen continued for another year the Summer experiment of Friday afternoon closings for July and August. It continues to be well received by the residents and employees.

The Town Hall continues to be the center for Town activities. The VNA's Haunted House returned in October for a successful renewal. The teen monthly dances continue their past successes. The building operates and is open on an average of 80 hours a week. To assist our hard working part-time custodian, Ray Henderson, we added another part-time custodian, William Gunderway.

Neither the Selectmen's nor the Executive Secretary's Office would succeed without the extra efforts and hours of Margaret "Peg" Renaud, Asst.



Executive Secretary and Ken Wirkala, Administrative Assistant. Their continued efforts in putting together and preparing the Town Report and every Town Meeting Warrant saves the town the extra cost of outside preparation of these documents.

We again thank Ray Henderson and Rollin Bailey who make it possible to broadcast the weekly Selectmen's Meeting on Cable TV, Channel 3.

Respectfully submitted,  
Annette Sexton, Executive Secretary/  
Chief Procurement Officer

### **BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS**

A principal task of the Water Department during calendar 1997 was refining the operation of our new water treatment facilities. The facility at South Street removes traces of iron and manganese by filtration and adjusts pH (acidity) of the water to reduce its corrosive effect on household plumbing. Two additional facilities at the Grove Street and Washington Street well fields treat the acidity but there is no need for filtration of the water. The start-up of all facilities went smoothly. We are in full operation and the projects were completed within budget. We are now experiencing fewer leak repairs due to the reduced corrosivity. The full effect will take some time to realize. Customers will get more years of service from their plumbing and water heaters along with other benefits such as reduced staining of porcelain sinks and tubs and, for many, better tasting water.

Commissioner Don Reed, a hydrogeologist, will conduct studies in the Washington Street well field in the Spring of 1998 to meet requirements of the Department of Environmental Protection. Don has completed hydrogeologic models for Zone II delineation in our two other major aquifers at a substantial savings compared to other towns that must hire an engineering firm to do this work. A well exploration project in the South Street field, supervised by Commissioner Reed, has identified a potential site for another municipal well. Tests, so far, are promising. A large diameter pumping well will be installed and prolonged pumping tests will determine yield, quality and other characteristics.

The Water Department was pleased to serve 3089 accounts; residential, commercial, industrial and municipal during the year, an increase of 41. Water production was 389,059,000 gallons. The day of highest demand was July 17<sup>th</sup> with 2,490,000 gallons pumped which is 2 ½ times the average daily demand.

Road excavations for leak repairs were significantly fewer than in previous years and we feel this is due to the reduced corrosivity of the water. We replaced 25 leaking water services, installed 41 services to new residences, repaired 4 water main breaks and replaced 13 hydrants. Over 350 residential

service calls were made for various reasons, predominantly to replace meters or other water service components and to investigate water quality and pressure issues.

A dry weather pattern during the summer months of 1997 forced us to impose water restrictions for a six week period. Mechanical improvements at several of our pumping stations have increased our capacity and helped the situation but nature failed to replenish the product, water. Our aquifers are shallow and another well could help a lot.

Two 550,000 gallon water storage tanks were taken off line; drained, cleaned of sediments and inspected for structural conditions and surface coating integrity. Results show the Paradise Drive tank in need of some repairs and re-coating. An article for this work will be presented at Town Meeting 1999 (FY2000). The tank at Judge's Hill is in good overall condition and will serve a few more years before requiring maintenance. Both tanks are back in service.

It is a privilege for the Commissioners to work with an outstanding Water Department staff consisting of Foreman Steve Gatanti, Treatment Facilities Operator Neal Merritt, Distribution System Mechanics James Regan and Marc Spinella, Administrative Secretary Diane McCarthy and Meter Reader/Clerk Arlene Allen. We are proud of the way everyone adapted to a new set of parameters and extra responsibility resulting from the first ever treatment of Norwell's water. We wish to acknowledge the superior work of Superintendent Jack McInnis. Jack was intimately involved with every detail of the Treatment Project from initial testing and engineering through construction, startup and optimization while simultaneously performing all his regular duties running the department. We thank him also for all the extra hours and weekends he has freely given.

We are saddened by the passing of retired Water Commissioner Augustine "Gus" Thibodeau last August and retired Department Foreman Thomas Cormier in January 1998. Gus and Tom each served Norwell's Water Department for nearly two decades and were instrumental in growing the system from one or two wells and a handful of customers to ten wells today and town wide distribution. We thank them for their dedication and love for the community and will truly miss their expertise, advice and friendship.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frederick H. St. Ours, Chairman  
Steven P. Ivas  
Donald E. Reed

### **NORWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Officer William Pasteris graduated from the Plymouth Police Academy and joined us in September. Officer Ronald Fries a graduate of Salem Police Academy in 1996 joined the department after a short

service tour with the Winthrop Police, Officer Fries came aboard in November. We have had another successful year in a partnership with the school system in the DARE Program. This has been a fruitful adventure for the school kids as well as the Police Department. This is the result of a zealous approach of Dare Officer Melvin, great community support and some very good kids. We have also successfully applied for and received grants to keep the DARE Program going as well as starting community policing programs. Pending are three additional grants that as of this date have not been awarded.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind those that have alarm systems to use them in compliance with the by law. Failure to comply with your obligation to use correctly and keep them in good repair creates a situation that may require a response by the police for faulty and/or thoughtless use. False alarm responses are costly to the police service as well as the user. A considerable amount of fines were collected, mostly the result of careless mistakes. We will assist anyone in trying to correct problem alarm systems. With the help of residents as well as the business community we would like to reduce the false alarm responses as well as the unfounded 911 calls that need to be checked by the officers.

Sheriff Foreman sent a painting crew from the Plymouth County Corrections Facility and they fixed the exterior trim and painted the station. By having the labor donated, the Town saved a considerable sum of money.

The family of Frank Underdown donated and planted a beautiful garden around the station, which was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation by the Norwell Garden Club.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chief, David H. Nichols

#### **POLICE/FIRE/MEDICAL EMERGENCIES ONLY - DIAL 911**

**POLICE RESPONSE: 659-7979**  
**POLICE BUSINESS: 659-8161**

#### **POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 1997**

Abuse Orders/Restraining	132
Alcohol Laws	31
Operating under Influence	17
Arrests/PC's	383
Arraignments	328
Assaults	27
Bad Checks	3
Breaking/Entering-Dwellings	40
Car Fires	16
Complaints Received	10,349
Court Cases Scheduled	407
Credit Card/Auto Teller	2

Credit Card Fraud/Stolen	5
Crime Victims	114
Cruiser Responses	7,952
Dept. Vehicle Miles Traveled	341,143
Disorderly Conduct	4
Disturbances	81
Drug-Narcotics/Violations	28
Drunkenness/P.C.	23
E-911 Calls	388
Emergency Messages Delivered	93
Family Offenses Non-Violent	11
Family Offenses Violent	18
Fatal M.V.A.	0
Firearms Violations	24
Harassing Phone Calls	30
House Checks	41
Larcenies	133
Liquor Law Violations	9
M.V. Accidents	259
M.V. Citations	1,491
M.V. Theft	12
Malicious Damage/Property	92
Medical Assists	398
Missing Persons	16
Mutual Aid/Assists	454
Oper/Under Influence	33
Parking Violations	202
Persons Injured (M.V.A.)	112
Property Damage (M.V.A.)	109
Property Recovered (Est. Value)	\$40,399.00
Property Stolen (Est. Value)	\$131,304.00
Protective Alarms Investigated	1,027
Psychiatric Commitments	2
Receiving Stolen Property	7
Records Request Calls	301
Robbery	2
Runaways	2
Sexual Offenses	1
Shoplifting	24
Suspicious Person	91
Suspicious Vehicles	114
Theft/Building	7
Theft M.V. Parts	11
Town-By Law Violations	395
Trespassing	9
Unregistered M.V.	50
Unsecured Buildings	41
Vehicles Towed	49
Warrant Arrests	97
Weapon Law Violations	8
Youth Violations	86

#### **EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**

The Emergency Communications Center is located in the Norwell Police Station at 40 River Street. Emergency Dispatchers answer both emergency and non-emergency calls and take appropriate action. All



Dispatchers are **911** certified and it appears that most Norwell residents and businesses are aware that they have this valuable option to call in the event of an emergency. The general rule of thumb is to call **911 ONLY** "To Save a Life, Stop a Crime, or Report a Fire." **911** should never be used as a general information line. Please dial carefully and do not program **911** into your phone. Learn to dial it and teach your children how to use it. Stickers for your telephones are available in the Communications Center. Also, remember that portable phones do not work during a power outage.

Currently, there are eight full and part time Emergency Dispatchers. During the 8 – 4, and the 4 – 12 shifts there are two Dispatchers on duty. During the midnight shift there is only one on duty. We are well into our second year using the new emergency console and are continually updating equipment, operations, etc. in order to best serve the Town of Norwell's residents and businesses.

Please feel free to call the non-emergency numbers, 659-7979 or 659-2211 anytime you need help or have a concern. The Fire Department's non-emergency business number is 659-8156 and the Police Department's Records/Chief's number is 659-8161. Burn permits are issued during burn season on 659-8160 only. A reminder – use **911** for **EMERGENCIES ONLY**.

**Norwell's Emergency Dispatchers**

Michael Brenton  
Laurie Croke  
Timothy Hanlon  
Dawnelle Margro  
Gail Marsden  
Mary Merritt  
Glenn Morrison  
Linda Whitcomb

**TOWN COUNSEL REPORT**

Again, I am pleased to submit my report as Town Counsel to the Citizens and Town Officials of the Town of Norwell.

As of this writing, there are 21 pending appeal cases at the Appellate Tax Board including four commercial properties and 17 residential or vacant land. These cases are scheduled for trial in April, although there is hope that many will be settled prior to the hearings.

The Town is aware of a pending lawsuit seeking to recover all or a portion of the settlement arising out of the Belinda Johnson case which was settled as a result of a claim brought with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination. The present claims and cross-claims have been brought by the various parties and the matter is awaiting discovery and motions prior to the settling of a pre-trial date.

The appeal of a subdivision known as Journey's End has been resolved with a settlement between the developer and an aggrieved party and there are pending matters with regard to the Laurelwood Subdivision and Hickory Hills Subdivision with the Planning Board. I am grateful for the cooperation of the Members of the Planning Board and to their Secretary in these pending matters.

The claim against the Town and individual Members of the Police Department arising out of the death of Andrew Gillis has been transferred to the Federal Court in Boston, MA and is represented by the law firm of Morrison, Mahoney & Miller on behalf of the Town's Insurance Carrier.

There are also pending appeals on the denial of an Approved Not Required Plan involving Hoop Pole Lane which cases are pending in the Land Court. This action arises out of a determination of the Planning Board of the inadequacy of Hoop Pole Lane for the construction of a residence.

I continue to be available to all Members of the Boards and Commissions subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen and in that manner, I believe that the Town has been fortunate in keeping legal expenses down and resolving matters before they can result in Court action.

I express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen for their continued confidence and to their Executive Secretary and staff for their cooperation with my office.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert E. Galvin,  
Town Counsel  
Robert W. Galvin  
Assistant Town Counsel

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

The Board of Selectmen was extremely busy in 1997. The Donovan Property was acquired and the main focus for the beginning of the year. The Town of Norwell instructed the Board of Selectmen to sell the two houses along with ten acres of the Donovan Property to the highest bidder(s). The office staff proceeded to go out to bid and the "main house" was sold.

Annette Sexton, Executive Secretary coordinated the bid process that included all bid documents, house appraisals, lots divided and general maintenance and upkeep of the property before it was sold.

We also have a newly elected member on the Board of Selectmen, Jean Eckner. Jean worked extremely hard on the Donovan house sale and we are very thankful. With her expertise and background, she was able to coordinate all aspects of the marketing of the property including weekend open houses and to

anyone who called, she was available to give a personal tour.

Our Norwell Center is still very active and growing. The new Norwell Post Office opened February 10<sup>th</sup> and remained in the center of town. Mount Blue restaurant opened, a new wine and cheese shop opened and a gift shop remained open under new management, Judy Enright, former editor of the Norwell Mariner Newspaper. We miss her reporting the news but we are grateful she remained in town.

The Insurance Advisory Committee worked very hard to obtain the very best insurance coverage at a substantial savings to the town. Our Employment Practices Liability Insurance will now be self-administered and if our claims continue as they have, over the next ten years the town could realize a net savings of \$175,000.

At the Annual Town Meeting held in May, the Town voted to appropriate \$106,000 for plans for a new fire station. The Permanent Building & Maintenance Committee was given the charge of going out to bid for the engineering and design development. The Board of Selectmen was able to negotiate with a highly recommended architectural group and the bid was appropriated with one-third for the design development, one-third for the preparation of building construction and one-third to oversee the construction. Again, we are very thankful for this dedicated and talented group of volunteers.

Our road-opening season, April through November, was extremely busy with many applications for new gas services and driveways. We worked very hard with our Highway Surveyor, Paul Foulsham, adhering to his recommendations especially that there be no road cuts for five years on any newly paved road. Paul takes pride in the work his department does and to maintain the roads effectively, we will stand firm on the five year "no cut policy".

At the Annual Town Meeting the town voted to support the Quinn Bill. This will be a great asset for attracting new officers and maintaining our present highly qualified police force. We also hired two new Police Officers, William Pasteris as our newly appointed Permanent-Intermittent Officer and Ronald Fries who transferred from Winthrop.

At the Annual Town Meeting we voted a moratorium for communication towers until we were able to study the ramifications of where they should be located. The Wireless Communications Committee was formed and they worked tirelessly gathering information, having public hearings and writing a by-law for the December Special Town Meeting.

The Osborne Property was brought before the voters and was ultimately voted down after much debate.

Jim Haehnel, Inspector of Buildings, resigned in December. Jim did a wonderful job for the town and

for anyone else that needed his expertise. He always did a wonderful job and he was very generous with his time and genuinely concerned for the townspeople. We wish him and his family success and happiness.

To all our volunteers who work so tirelessly for the good of the town, our appointed and elected officials a sincere thank you! Without you, our town could not accomplish the tasks it does or have the foresight for what is needed. Throughout the Town, each employee continues to make that extra effort for which Norwell is so grateful.

The Board extends its thanks and appreciation to Annette Sexton, Executive Secretary, and due to her dedication, knowledge and expertise the Board knows firsthand any problems or projects that arise will be accomplished. We also thank our staff members Peg Renaud, Assistant Executive Secretary, and Ken Wirkala, Administrative Assistant, for their dedicated work.

Respectfully submitted  
Donald R. LeClair, Jr. Chairman  
Richard A. Merritt  
Jean S. Eckner

### COUNCIL ON AGING

In May, 1997 we dedicated our new enlarged and renovated kitchen. What a wonderful job the South Shore Vo-Tech students, under the tutelage of their instructor Jim Flaherty, did. If you haven't seen it yet, please feel free to come by. We are so proud that it didn't cost the townspeople any money, but was all done by donations and monies raised by the Friends of the Council on Aging. It was a lot of work and Rosemary and the staff, along with members of the FNCOA and volunteers are to be commended for all the hours they put in.

Each year the demands on the Council on Aging grow. For example, on informational and referral calls we handled 6,782 in 1997 an increase of 782 over 1996. Transportation had an increase of 337 runs bring the 1997 total to 5270. We now find we are handling more medicals each week. Our van is in constant use from Monday to Friday.

We sponsor many seminars and programs throughout the year dealing with many different subjects. Included are art classes, cribbage, fuel assistance from November to March, exercise, telephone reassurance, meals on wheels, lunch program, tax counseling, stroke club, and SHINE (Serving health insurance needs of elders). Please contact the Center at 659-7878 for information or to register for any of the above.

We would like to thank the staff and all the volunteers that give so freely of their time to make life more comfortable for their fellow citizens. As the senior population grows, so does the demand for services from the Council on Aging. Without their help, we would not be able to succeed.

Ann J. Valair, Chairman  
Council on Aging



# 1996 BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Parents</u>
December 19	Niamh Mary Martyn	Patricia A. Flannery Michael Brendan Martyn
21	Joseph Patrick Thongpaithoon	Marlena Ann Manning Michael Thongpaithoon
21	Lily Lee Slocum	Martha Lee David Alan Slocum
25	Joshua Richard Dougherty	Dana Marie Pantano Edward Paul Dougherty

# 1997 BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Parents</u>
January 3	Megan Christine Gibbons	Carolyn Jane Petrillo John Anthony Gibbons
8	Jane Margaret Gogarty	Patricia Mary Farrell Laurence O. Gogarty, Jr.
9	Sarah Marie DeBenedictis	Cynthia Ann Larson Anthony DeBenedictis
14	Alexandra Monahan Rice	Elizabeth Monahan John Theodore Rice
15	William Kim Gee	Michelle Theresa Low Edward Ming Gee
20	Jacqueline Nicole Skinner	Robin Ann Gatturna Stephen Joseph Skinner
23	Cameron Daily Steele	Stacey Rodgers
24	Emma Tetley Steele	Daniel Tetley Steele
24	Bradford Scott Raeside	Susan Adele Roussell Scott David Raeside
30	James Daniel Carton	Jacqueline Anne Healey Daniel Charles Carton
February 7	Sarah Elizabeth Cataldo	Lisa Marie Miller David Angelo Cataldo
8	Erin Elizabeth Smith	Patricia Mary Duffy Edward Stuart Smith
13	Meghan Elizabeth Ayles	Lori Ann Rodricks
20	Jacqueline Michelle Ayles	Michael Alexander Ayles
20	Casey Lasure Hewitt	Cheryl Ann Hanley Donald William Hewitt
23	Robert Beckwith Manson	Mary Jo Spring Robert Leonard Manson
27	Miranda Ann Hebert	Donna Ann Zambuto Gerard Alexander Hebert
March 8	Marion Rose Kleber	Nancy Cedrone Richard Thomas Kleber, Jr.
9	Lyndseann Elizabeth Turner	Kimberly Lynn Vangenewitt David George Turner
12	Samantha Carol Borrelli	Kimberly Claire Clemens Michael Joseph Borrelli

# 1997 BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Parents</u>
18	Nicholas Alexander Daniels	Barbara Jean Dubourg Rene Vernon Daniels
25	Emily Claire Dwyer	Ann Rabel Robert Bernard Dwyer
April 28	Riley Elizabeth MaManus	Kellie Elizabeth Lynch Richard A. McManus, Jr.
May 1	Zachary Ryan Carey	Maureen Theresa Hassett Kevin Daniel Carey
2	Alexander Hickox Beal	Cynthia Hickox Stephan Cushing Beal
19	Lily Rose Keohane	Carol Ann McIntosh James Michael Keohane
25	Jake Tyler Flaherty	Laura Jean Cicirelli Mark Joseph Flaherty
26	Caroline Elizabeth Walsh	Johanna Jane Brigham Matthew James Walsh
28	Cormac John Lonergan	Leslie Stone Michael Ernest Lonergan
June 8	Kelsey Elizabeth Umbrianna	Melissa Catherine McLeod John Andrew Umbrianna
8	Brianna Alessandra Wooten	Deborah Sandra Caldwell Darryl Shelton Wooten
8	Isabella Jean Iwanicki	Jeanmarie Nealon John Paul Iwanicki
12	Dylan Richard Johnson	Helena Drohan Craig Douglas Johnson
14	Quinn Michael Kane	Karen Ryan Timothy Joseph Kane
14	Brooke Rose Fitzgerald	Cheryl A. Corson John R. Fitzgerald
16	Nasim Ziad	Elizabeth Murphy Mustapha Ziad
19	Michael Francis Smith	Cheryl Ann Gurney Mark Stephen Smith
21	Cianan De Weer Murphy	Silvia De Weer Brian Arthur Murphy
22	Rachel Renee Trowbridge	Robin Renee Lovato William Roger Trowbridge
24	Jeffrey Paul Lamparelli	Paulette Harwood Joseph Nicola Lamparelli
24	Kyle Dalton James Farrar	Molly L. O'Brien Paul W. Farrar
25	Meredith Keane Mackinlay	Cynthia Ann Keane Glenn Alexander MacKinlay
28	Emily Rose Kirsliis	Theresa Michelle Langner Phillip James Kirsliis
30	Emma Rose Basso	Pamela Louise Bower Joseph Charles Basso, III



# 1997 BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Parents</u>
July		
1	Emily Barbara Senatore	Janice Marie Koegel Peter Joseph Senatore, Jr.
3	Daniel John Hilson	Merryann Sary Robert Philip Hilson
8	Alexandra Grace Gallagher	Linda Jean Reardon Christopher J. Gallagher
12	Samantha Rose Gilberti	Karen Ann Linehan John Joseph Gilberti
27	Paul Daniel Sheppard	Rosemary Paula Sardella Paul Leo Sheppard, Jr.
28	Samantha Mandel Marcus	Julie Lynn Mandel David Ritvo Marcus
August		
4	Morgan Elizabeth Caron	Barbara Karin Frambach Bradford Scott Caron
4	Graham Richards McOsker	Julie Lestage Joseph A. McOsker, III
18	Matthew James Oberg	Susan Kari Balmes Scott Michael Oberg
25	Morgen Doyle Gallagher	Sharon Doyle Peter Shaun Gallagher
September		
2	Shea Catherine Garvey	Tara Lee Prince Andrew Gerard Garvey
5	Kevin James O'Driscoll	Jane Marie Fisher Barry John O'Driscoll
6	Eliza Maria Gratta	Traci Ann Nelson Mario Nick Gratta
8	Jack Kenneth Ochs	Sheryl Ann Hemeon Kenneth John Ochs
11	Brian Thomas Humphreys	Barbara Evans Thomas Kelley Humphreys
12	Elissa Cain Degnan	Jennifer Ann Watral Thomas John Degnan
25	Jaclyn Carol Sewell	Dianne Southerland Kenneth Dawson Sewell
27	Jacob Anthony Holton	Anne Marie Landry Everett Godsoe Holton
28	Katherine Marie Hartford	Betty Marie Aguiar Brian Michael Hartford
30	Rachel Maria Bates	Agatha A. Michelangelo Brian Charles Bates
October		
1	Michael Boluch Vegnani	Anne Maria Boluch Anthony Vincent Vegnani
4	Matthew John McGillivray	Sarah Jane Farley Terence J. McGillivray
4	Molly Kate Steenbruggen	Nancy Ellen O'Toole Kenneth R. Steenbruggen
6	Conor Michael Hart Ciara Elizabeth Hart	Diane Elizabeth Carney Michael Peter Hart

# 1997 BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Parents</u>
7	Christopher Thomas Andrews	April Marie Panttila Kent Douglas Andrews
8	Amy Elizabeth Joseph	Mary Louise Grady Arthur James Joseph, Jr.
9	Cassandra Lee Waters	Suzannah Todd Mark Carlin Waters
12	Kerry Christine Sweeney	Christine Diane Blackwood Stephen Matthew Sweeney
15	Drew Adam Bubier	Christina McLarnon-Rossi Adam Carl Bubier
16	James Malcolm DeNeill,III	Linda Marie Whyte James Malcolm DeNeil,Jr.
23	Francine Olivia Poirier	Kristine Frances Williams John Leonard Poirier
31	Elizabeth Nicole Masucci	Beverly Ilene Rosenberg Frederick D.Masucci, Jr.
November		
5	Thomas Alexander O'Hanley	Maureen Murphy Michael A.O'Hanley
16	Mary Margaret Gurney	Christen Marie St. Cyr Herbert Andrew Gurney,III
24	Hailey Shea Studley	Kelli A. Keough Donald A. Studley, Jr.
24	Alyssa Marli Trebino	Jane Marie Doyle Thomas Edward Trebino
26	Mark Thomas Sigwart, Jr.	Jeannine Grace Kellaway Mark Thomas Sigwart
December		
5	Daniel Timothy McDougall	Lauren Dale Gomes Richard McDougall
16	Julia Michele Tasiopoulos	Michele Ann Valtsakis
	Jamie Nicole Tasiopoulos	Louis Tasiopoulos
16	Nathan Christopher Richardson	Margaret Ellen Woodford James Michael Richardson
17	Cameron Philip Leduc	Cynthia Needham David Christopher Leduc
29	Courtney Michelle Arnold	Janis Elaine Barnes Richard Tyra Arnold, Jr.



# 1997 MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Groom</u>	<u>Name of Bride</u>
January		
5	Francis Raymond Murphy, Jr. of Norwell	Sally Mitchell Kowalski of N. Falmouth
February		
15	Henry Joseph Lynch of Eastham	Debra Jean Jackson of Norwell
April		
19	Terry L. Norris of Bedford	Lisa Michele Mohan of Norwell
May		
3	Neil Micah Freeman of Washington, DC	Kerry Ann Griffin of Washington, DC
17	Richard Scott Mills of Norwell	Susan Jeannette Daley of Gloucester
17	John Harold Semchenko of Norwell	Carol Anna Osborne of Norwell
17	Daniel Perry MacDonald, III of Plymouth	Lisa Marie Eisner of Norwell
31	Paul J. Berigan of Hingham	Pamela Jean McLaughlin of Norwell
June		
1	John Edward Simmons of Norwell	Gillian Jacqueline Smith of Natick
1	Ronald George Rose of California	Elizabeth England Kemp of California
7	Reginald Wayne Morris of Maryland	Regina Catherine Davis of Maryland
7	Edward James Doyle of Norwell	Joyce Marie Bain of Norwell
7	Remo Franceschini of New York	Christine C. Constantino of Norwell
14	Kevin David Dauphinais of Bourne	Victoria Julia Flaherty of Bourne
14	Peter Scott Conant of Plymouth	Denise Pamela Frehill of Plymouth
21	Matthew David Linde of Marshfield	Kimberly Jean Major of Norwell
21	David Steven Carroll of Weymouth	Kathleen Ann Spearin of Weymouth
28	Francis Joseph Flynn, Jr. of Norwell	Susan Lynn Hans of Weymouth
28	Drew Carver Schildwachter of Norwell	Elizabeth Delano Osborne of Norwell
28	David Shawn Hill of California	Bonnie Anne Merrick of California
July		
3	Robert Tony Heffernan of Hanover	Jasmine Rebecca DeLuca of Norwell
August		
3	Michael Patrick Tracy of Norwood	Noel Marie Toomey of Norwell
9	Christopher Robert Bernasconi of Norwell	Abigail Lizzi Kenyon of Norwell
12	Gene Manaois Bucks of Norwell	Siobhan Heather Green of Norwell
16	Andre Vernal Furbush of Maine	Kathleen Marie Jenkins-Toms of Maine
30	Bryan Keith Bart of Norwell	Amy Jennifer Parkhurst of Norwell
September		
5	Paul Stephen Noonan of Weymouth	Kerry Ann Starck of Weymouth
6	James Kevin Murphy of Norwell	Lori Ann Juffre of Braintree
6	Francis Kojo Mensah of Norwell	Diane Elizabeth Massey of Norwell
6	Robert Eliot Riker of Norwell	Rachel Catherine Eaves of Norwell
7	Robert Louis Giordani of Norwell	Jeanine Mary Bethony of Abington
13	James Leo Robinson of Plymouth	Kimberly Macfarland of Plymouth
14	Karl Warren Honkonen of Norwell	Anne Delano Bear of Norwell
20	David Crosby Campbell of Norwell	Linda Corthell of Norwell
27	Alfred John Almeder of New Hampshire	Sharon Ann Krish of New Hampshire

# 1997 MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Groom</u>	<u>Name of Bride</u>
September		
28	Anthony Nicholas Giacomozzi of Scituate	Diana Rose Clarke of Norwell
28	Edward Everett Smiley, Jr. of Norwell	Joyce Kacos of Weymouth
October		
4	Jason Robert Sullivan of New Jersey	Michelle Vivian Bakkila of Norwell
4	Keith Robert Smith of Norwell	Deirdre Anne Pueschel of S. Weymouth
11	George Howard Keegan, Jr. of Braintree	Christine Anne Leary of Norwell
11	Joseph Thomas Mullen, Jr. of Rockland	Cheryl Ann Hartnett of Norwell
19	John Edward Suurhans of Plymouth	Denise Lynn McEachern of Plymouth
25	Timothy John Donovan of New York	Eve Carter Gallaudet of New York
25	Richard Bernard Dempsey of Norwell	Kirsten Hall Hagar of Norwell
31	Michael Walter Cole of Norwell	Karen Marie Robinson of Norwell
November		
22	Jeffrey Paul Guilbeau of Louisiana	Rene Theresa Assetta of Louisiana
23	William Lawrence Curtin of N. Quincy	Michele Lynne Banda of Norwell
December		
5	Robert Peter Tassinari of Kingston	M. Janice Grady of Duxbury
14	Robert William McClelland of Norwell	Celeste Ann Fradet of Hull
27	Robert Harding Prescott of N. Marshfield	Qingping Zou of Canada



# 1996 DEATHS RECEIVED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Residence</u>
December			
15	Patricia Annette McGreavy	57	Norwell
23	James Ellis	43	Norwell

# 1997 DEATHS RECEIVED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Residence</u>
January			
2	Howard C. Tyson	86	Quincy
4	Miriam Dolores Trusheim	79	Norwell
5	Reine Marie Garat Brancart	94	Hingham
5	Bianca Milani	87	Norwell
6	Charles G. Hardy	91	Hanover
12	Elizabeth Wortmann	91	Norwell
13	Bridget A. Kilcoyne	88	Quincy
13	Gertrude Anita Abraham	75	Norwell
15	James Gately Hiltz	82	Hingham
19	Lillian F. Conway	85	New Hampshire
20	Arthur H. Muzrall	85	Norwell
23	Margaret Alice McElroy	96	Norwell
24	William MacGillivray	91	Weymouth
26	Frances Geraldine Gilroy	72	Norwell
February			
4	Arnold A. Saporito	75	Marshfield
6	Joseph R. Beauregard	88	Norwell
9	Caesar T. Biagini	78	Norwell
11	Mary M. Kelley	90	Norwell
12	Irene M. White	79	Weymouth
13	Bertha Gertrude Willis	78	Weymouth
23	Genevieve P. Ward	82	Weymouth
23	Frank H. Underdown	77	Norwell
25	Philip J. Pietrafitta, Sr.	83	Norwell
26	Werner A. Tikkanen	70	Quincy
26	Dorothy E. Crew	77	Hanson
March			
1	Elvira L. Mattivello	80	Marshfield
5	Mildred E. Witte	94	Hanover
14	Lillian C. Ayers	90	Norwell
15	Wilder A. Gaudette	81	Norwell
16	Mabel M. LaPlante	85	Norwell
16	Anne R. Lamont	87	Brant Rock
16	Clara Elizabeth MacLean	91	Quincy
17	Irene T. Leavitt	86	Norwell
17	Paula Alice Zenzel	81	Hanover
22	Christina S. Tierney	96	Norwell
25	Clarence Leslie Pratt	97	Hingham
28	Warren Egon Ekstrom	67	Norwell
29	Mildred C. Crowley	92	Norwell

# 1997 DEATHS RECEIVED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Residence</u>
31	Kathleen S. Kelly	51	Norwell
April			
1	Thomas F. A.K.A. Francis T. Dunn	74	Hingham
3	Irene R. Mahoney	75	Norwell
9	Bernard C. Beauvais, Jr.	65	Norwell
10	John Harcourt Mott	97	Scituate
15	Robert A. Hartstone	79	Norwell
22	Sula M. Zeek	94	Norwell
24	Charles M. Sellers	71	Weymouth
29	Elizabeth Winkler	89	Norwell
May			
5	Gerard Leone	21	Hanover
7	Marie F. Callahan	93	Quincy
13	Mary Rose Mason	76	Norwell
13	Fletcher S. Boig	87	Norwell
30	Rosaline G. Murray	76	Marshfield
30	Catherine F. Bond	87	Norwell
30	Margaret G. McCarthy	84	Norwell
June			
5	Hazel M. Davenport	77	Rockland
6	Anita E. White	92	Braintree
13	Mary E. Amirault	92	Weymouth
14	John F. Conroy, Jr.	68	Weymouth
16	Kate M. Knight	81	Norwell
19	Louis F. Valleli	85	Boston
19	Emerson Munroe	69	Norwell
24	Mary Sena	83	Rockland
30	Margaret A. Minnock	93	Norwell
July			
4	Ann Louise Fitzgerald	79	Hingham
16	William L. Kingham, Jr.	79	Quincy
31	Charles D. Bonanno	76	Canton
August			
4	Elsie H. Bruce	86	Norwell
7	Robert Ivan Acorn	71	Norwell
9	Elsie W. Umbrianna	90	Rockland
10	John F. Stilgoe	81	Norwell
14	Marion E. Sacco	94	Hull
17	Margaret M. Perkins	75	Norwell
18	Matthew J. Geoghegan	68	Norwell
19	Virginia R. MacKinnon	79	Norwell
20	Augustine J. Thibodeau	84	Norwell
20	Frank A. Dias	84	Norwell
22	May L. Smalley	95	Norwell
24	Betty Hennebury	77	Norwell
27	Kathleen Mary O'Malley	49	Norwell



# 1997 DEATHS RECEIVED IN NORWELL IN 1997

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Residence</u>
September			
1	Beatrice L. Olson	93	Norwell
5	Florence Mary Cannon	86	Rockland
7	L. Carol Killoran	72	Quincy
11	Margaret H. Daly	92	Norwell
14	Allan Kirkwood Hamer	72	Norwell
16	Alice S. Salvucci	90	Norwell
18	Najeebie Bethoney	96	Weymouth
19	Nettie M. Priest	95	Pembroke
19	Katherine M. McGrath	87	Cohasset
20	John J. O'Day	94	Norwell
23	Amalia M. Goggin	89	Lexington
26	Beatrice L. Delano	96	Quincy
30	Lavinia A. Cogliano	88	Norwell
30	Warren V. McNeil	85	Norwell
October			
2	Ida L. Brugnetti	76	Norwell
8	Ruth Cushman	85	Roslindale
12	Helen Agnes Fitzgerald	92	Hanover
14	Margaret J. Reid	90	Norwell
15	Paul T. Violette	76	Hull
15	Emily M. Merrill	76	Norwell
26	Lillian A. Harrison	96	Braintree
27	Sarah M. Morton	96	Norwell
28	Kathleen Moore McAllister	58	Norwell
November			
1	Maxine Eunice Drescher	88	Hingham
11	Evelyn M. Halliday	75	Rockland
12	Caterina Marcella	83	Hingham
14	Robert Arthur O'Mara	70	Norwell
20	Marguerite F. Ferguson	69	Norwell
20	Florence Elizabeth Holmes	88	Norwell
26	Donna M. Morea	48	Norwell
December			
8	Paul Gordon Jevne	83	Norwell
13	Marjorie A. Kelly	71	Norwell
16	Ralph Lee Rankin	92	Pembroke
16	Frances A. Svelnis	62	Norwell
17	Ethel June McAlear	88	Norwell
21	Lily McElaney	91	Quincy
22	Mary E. Dotton	84	Norwell
24	Miriam P. Lee	90	Hanover
25	Aline A. Dion	90	Weymouth
25	Julius J. Wencis	80	Halifax
26	Dorothy W. Rice	95	Norwell
27	Marion S. Cole	90	Norwell
29	Esther M. Jokinen	89	Norwell

**BROUGHT INTO TOWN FOR BURIAL  
PRIOR DEATHS BROUGHT INTO TOWN FOR BURIAL IN 1997**

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Place of Burial</u> (Cemetery)
September 23, 1996	Elaine Clark	Florida	Church Hill
November 22, 1981	Charles Henry Clark	Florida	Church Hill
1996 December 17	Mae Elizabeth Brewster	New York	Church Hill
27	Ruth Haverstick	Florida	First Parish

**1997 DEATHS BROUGHT INTO TOWN FOR BURIAL**

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Place of Burial</u> (Cemetery)
January 25	Charles C. Pike	Halifax	Washington St.
February 15	Russell Anderson	Abington	Washington St.
15	Joan Ellen Pulsifer	Boston	Washington St.
23	Albina McGuire	Kingston	Washington St.
25	Ruth Manoli	Taunton	Washington St.
March 15	Marilyn Rose Wright	Weymouth	Washington St.
April 15	Ellen Morrissey	Boston	Washington St.
May 5	Fred Balboni	Cohasset	Washington St.
20	James J. Malatesta	Plymouth	Washington St.
24	David J. Leary	Texas	Washington St.
June 12	Elizabeth A. Torrey	New Hampshire	Washington St.
July 16	Francis W. Dana, II	Connecticut	First Parish
August 3	James A. Gabriel	Plymouth	Washington St.
September 13	Frances Cole	Maryland	First Parish



# 1997 DEATHS BROUGHT INTO TOWN FOR BURIAL

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Place of Burial</u> (Cemetery)
October			
1	John Paul O'Donnell	Boston	Washington St.
4	Niles D. Beach	Boston	First Parish
5	George F. Cavanagh	Boston	Washington St.
8	Barbara A. Santilli	Kingston	Washington St.
11	Wayne T. Snowdale	Weymouth	Church Hill
November			
24	David L. Horgan	California	Washington St.

# RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

March 15, 1997

Pursuant to the Warrant, eligible voters met at the various precincts in the Town of Norwell to cast their votes for the candidates for Town offices.

In Precinct I the following election workers present were: WARDEN, Michelle Evans; CLERK, Amy Locke; TELLERS, Stephanie St. Ours, John Devereaux, Jean Himberg, Cheryl Cicchini;

In Precinct II: WARDEN, Genevieve Hartigan; CLERK, Carolyn MacLellan; TELLERS, Elinor Fewkes, George Kelley, David Mayers, Beatrice Griffiths;

In Precinct III: WARDEN, Dorothy Meehan; CLERK, B. Jean Snow; TELLERS, Lynne Rose , Gertrude Daneau, Joan Shea and Eileen Lynch.

CHIEF WARDEN was Janice M. Lawson, Town Clerk. Police Officer Urpo Nurmenniemi served as Constable in Precinct I, Constable Jan Tulis in Precinct II and Constable Theodore Baldwin in Precinct III.

This election saw the implementation of the new computerized Accu-Vote optical scanning system introduced to the Town of Norwell by LHS Associates. This system, which was used on a trial basis only, replaced the Automatic Voting Machine which has been in use in Norwell since 1971. The system uses paper ballots which the voter inserts into the computer which, in turn, scans, reads and records the mark made by the voter.

Total votes cast in Precinct I were 113 including 11 absentee; in Precinct II, 167 including 7 absentee; and in Precinct III, 215 including 14 absentee.

Total tally in all precincts was 495 including 32 absentee. With total registration at 6240 the total vote represented 8% of the electorate.

Tallying in open meeting at the Town Clerk's office produced the following results:

	PREC. I	PREC. II	PREC. III	TOTAL
BOARD OF ASSESSORS - Three year term				
Rosemary Durica	79	133	163	375
Write-ins				
Scattering	2	0	3	5
Blanks	32	34	49	115
BOARD OF HEALTH - Three year term				
George E. Cavanagh	87	127	172	386
Write-ins				
Scattering	2	0	5	7
Blanks	24	40	38	102
BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Three year term				
Jean Eckner	74	127	144	345
Write-ins				
Spencer Joseph, Jr.	16	17	30	63
Annette Sexton	5	4	3	12
Scattering	5	2	10	17
Blanks	13	17	28	58
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS - Three year term				
Donald E. Reed	84	140	173	397
Write-ins				
Scattering	0	0	1	1
Blanks	29	27	41	97
MODERATOR - One year term				
Roger E. Hughes, Jr.	83	139	170	392



Write-ins				
Scattering	5	4	8	17
Blanks	25	24	37	86

NORWELL HOUSING AUTHORITY - Three year term - Vote for two

Fred N. Levin	78	124	148	350
Ann J. Valair	98	127	160	385
Write-ins				
Scattering	0	0	1	1
Blanks	50	83	121	254

NORWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES - Three year term - Vote for two

Meredith O. Atkinson	76	134	154	364
Christine E. Smith	72	115	152	339
Write-ins				
Scattering	0	0	3	3
Blanks	78	85	121	284

PLANNING BOARD - Three year term

Matthew J. Cronin	83	138	164	385
Write-ins				
Scattering	2	0	5	7
Blanks	28	29	46	103

SCHOOL COMMITTEE - Three year term

Patricia S. Kelley	80	129	159	368
Write-ins				
Scattering	5	3	10	18
Blanks	28	35	46	109

A TRUE COPY, ATTEST

JANICE M. LAWSON  
TOWN CLERK,

# **TOWN OF NORWELL**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## **WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Monday, May 5, 1997

At Seven-Thirty O'clock in the Evening

At the Goldman Jr. High School Gymnasium, Main Street

**ARTICLE 1** - To see if the Town will accept the reports of its Officers, Boards, Departments, Committees and Commissions, as printed in the 1996 Annual Report, or act on anything relative thereto.

**The Advisory Board recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 2** - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, sums of money to defray the charges, expenses and salary obligations of the Town, including debt and interest, for the ensuing year, to provide for a Reserve Fund and to fix salaries and compensation for all Elected Officers of the Town, or act on anything relative thereto.



		EXPENDED		APPROPRIATION	DEPARTMENT	ADVISORY
		1996	1997	1997	REQUESTS	RECOMMENDS
<b>2-ACCOUNTING</b>						
2-115	Salaries	\$80,420.69	\$89,161.00		\$89,399.00	\$89,399.00
2-202	Expenses	\$12,622.13	\$12,735.00		\$13,335.00	\$13,335.00
	Total:	\$93,042.82	\$101,896.00		\$102,734.00	\$102,734.00
<b>3-SELECTMEN</b>						
2-101	Bd. Members Salaries	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00		\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00
2-102	Exec. Secretary Salary	\$54,700.00	\$57,801.00		\$60,600.00	\$60,600.00
2-103	Clerical Salaries/ADA	\$48,548.77	\$53,837.00		\$54,240.00	\$54,240.00
2-200	Court Judgement	\$91,000.00				
2-201	Selectmen's Expenses	\$10,785.08	\$9,200.00		\$9,200.00	\$9,200.00
2-205	Care Veterans' Graves	\$1,037.00	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
	Total:	\$208,270.85	\$124,238.00		\$127,440.00	\$127,440.00
<b>6-BEAUTIFICATION</b>						
2-204	Expenses	\$450.00	\$1,500.00		\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
<b>7-HOUSING PARTNERSHIP</b>						
2-122	Housing Clerical	\$0.00	\$1.00		\$1.00	\$1.00
2-297	Housing Expenses	\$0.00	\$1.00		\$1.00	\$1.00
	Total:	\$0.00	\$2.00		\$2.00	\$2.00
<b>8-HANDICAPPED COMM.</b>						
2-294	General Expenses	\$2,909.72	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
<b>9-MODERATOR</b>						
2-104	Moderator's Expenses	\$0.00	\$1.00		\$1.00	\$1.00
<b>10-CUSHING MEMORIAL</b>						
2-175	Cushing Memorial Payroll	\$17,962.35	\$18,856.00		\$19,716.00	\$19,716.00
2-203	Cushing Memorial Expenses	\$21,094.85	\$20,500.00		\$20,500.00	\$20,500.00
	Total:	\$39,057.20	\$39,356.00		\$40,216.00	\$40,216.00
<b>11-ADVISORY BOARD</b>						
2-105	Advisory Clerical	\$2,742.98	\$4,482.00		\$4,803.00	\$4,000.00
2-206	Advisory Expenses	\$135.00	\$600.00		\$800.00	\$500.00
	Total:	\$2,877.98	\$5,082.00		\$5,403.00	\$4,500.00

	EXPENDED	1996	APPROPRIATION	1997	DEPARTMENT	1998	ADVISORY
					REQUESTS		RECOMMENDS
2-217	12-CAPITAL BUDGET COM. Expenses	\$0.00	\$1.00		\$1.00		\$1.00
2-207	13-RESERVE FUND Reserve Fund	\$209,591.02	\$225,000.00		\$225,000.00		\$225,000.00
2-106	15-TOWN MT. & ELECTION Salaries	\$6,841.60	\$13,500.00		\$10,900.00		\$10,900.00
2-208	Expenses	\$2,803.54	\$6,500.00		\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
	Total:	\$9,645.14	\$20,000.00		\$15,900.00		\$15,900.00
2-107	17-BD OF REGISTRARS Clerk of Board Salary	\$300.00	\$300.00		\$320.00		\$320.00
2-108	Registrars Clerical	\$10,160.00	\$11,229.00		\$11,219.00		\$11,219.00
2-209	Registrars Expenses	\$2,229.93	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
	Total:	\$12,689.93	\$14,529.00		\$14,539.00		\$14,539.00
2-210	19-TOWN REPORTS Town Reports	\$9,363.73	\$9,000.00		\$9,500.00		\$9,500.00
2-109	29-ASSESSORS Bd. Members' Salaries	\$4,150.00	\$4,150.00		\$4,150.00		\$4,150.00
2-110	Clerical Salaries	\$57,282.25	\$72,876.00		\$78,633.00		\$75,139.00
2-211	General Expenses	\$7,922.60	\$10,040.00		\$10,040.00		\$10,040.00
2-212	Reval/App. Expenses	\$6,475.00	\$13,900.00		\$13,900.00		\$13,900.00
	Total:	\$75,829.85	\$100,966.00		\$106,723.00		\$103,229.00
2-111	35-TREAS./COLLECTOR Treasurer/Collector Salary	\$50,005.00	\$54,641.00		\$55,287.00		\$55,287.00
2-112	Clerical Salaries	\$74,053.06	\$83,328.00		\$93,373.00		\$91,373.00
2-213	General Expenses	\$54,652.54	\$58,250.00		\$65,400.00		\$62,900.00
2-214	Tax Liens Expenses	\$11,245.52	\$11,000.00		\$13,000.00		\$13,000.00
	Total:	\$189,956.12	\$207,219.00		\$227,060.00		\$222,560.00
2-113	39-TOWN CLERK Town Clerk Salary	\$36,000.00	\$40,000.00		\$42,000.00		\$41,200.00
2-114	Clerical Salaries	\$24,850.76	\$30,262.00		\$31,821.00		\$31,821.00
2-215	General Expenses	\$2,801.75	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00
	Total:	\$63,652.51	\$72,762.00		\$76,321.00		\$75,521.00
2-216	45-LEGAL SERVICES Legal Expenses	\$71,175.72	\$50,000.00		\$81,000.00		\$81,000.00
2-218	Settlements/Claims	\$5,615.73	\$1.00		\$1.00		\$1.00
2-295	Union Negotiations	\$700.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
	Total:	\$77,491.45	\$50,001.00		\$81,001.00		\$81,001.00





	EXPENDED	APPROPRIATION	DEPARTMENT	ADVISORY
	1996	1997	REQUESTS	RECOMMENDS
<b>81-TOWN INSURANCE</b>				
2-231 Town Insurance	\$147,678.00	\$157,362.00	\$157,362.00	\$157,362.00
2-232 Ins. Advis. Comm. Expense	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Total:	\$147,678.00	\$157,562.00	\$157,562.00	\$157,562.00
<b>91-GOVT. STUDY COMM.</b>				
2-124 Government Study Clerical	\$0.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
<b>92-GROUNDWATER</b>				
2-234 Groundwater General Exp.	\$0.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
<b>94-DRAINAGE COMM.</b>				
2-170 Drainage Clerical	\$0.00	\$1.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
2-171 Drainage Expenses			\$500.00	\$500.00
Total:			\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
<b>TOTAL-GENERAL GOVT.</b>	<b>\$2,533,669.79</b>	<b>\$2,691,336.00</b>	<b>\$2,766,869.00</b>	<b>\$2,727,172.00</b>
<b>101-POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>				
2-125 Police Chief's Salary	\$63,206.24	\$65,392.00	\$65,420.00	\$65,420.00
2-126 Police Officers' Pay	\$893,907.81	\$956,129.00	\$975,475.00	\$975,505.00
2-128 Police Other Payroll	\$28,290.94	\$29,882.00	\$31,100.00	\$30,327.00
2-169 Clerical	\$24,278.63	\$26,843.00	\$27,508.00	\$27,509.00
2-235 Police General Expense	\$63,953.44	\$74,340.00	\$85,100.00	\$85,100.00
2-236 Police Cruiser Expenses	\$29,835.61	\$68,714.00	\$100,049.00	\$91,897.00
2-237 Other Town Vehicles Gas	\$1,261.08	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1.00
Total:	\$1,104,733.75	\$1,222,800.00	\$1,286,152.00	\$1,275,759.00
<b>103-FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>				
2-129 Fire Chief's Salary	\$65,887.00	\$55,180.00	\$57,575.00	\$57,575.00
2-130 Perm. Firefighters' Payroll	\$522,106.51	\$580,372.00 **	\$589,179.00	\$589,179.00
2-169 Fire Department Clerical	\$21,902.72	\$24,571.00	\$26,212.00	\$26,212.00
2-238 Fire Dept. General Expense	\$46,216.63	\$52,508.00	\$59,450.00	\$59,450.00
Total:	\$656,112.86	\$712,631.00	\$732,416.00	\$732,416.00
<b>104-CALL FIRE FIGHTERS</b>				
2-131 Deputy Fire Chief	\$3,482.45	\$4,500.00	\$4,635.00	\$4,635.00
2-132 Call Fire Payroll	\$81,253.53	\$77,696.00	\$77,696.00	\$77,696.00
2-240 Call Fire General Expenses	\$13,829.55	\$13,400.00	\$13,500.00	\$13,500.00
Total:	\$98,565.53	\$95,596.00	\$95,831.00	\$95,831.00

\*\* Article 20 4/96 Adding Two Firefighters/Emt's \$60,372.00



49

	EXPENDED	1996	APPROPRIATION	1997	1998	1998
					DEPARTMENT	ADVISORY
					REQUESTS	RECOMMENDS
2-254	131-CIVIL DEFENSE					
	Civil Defense General Exp.	\$400.00	\$400.00		\$400.00	\$400.00
2-144	133-ANIMAL CONTROL					
2-255	Animal Control Payroll	\$13,780.46	\$14,963.00		\$15,507.00	\$15,507.00
	General Expenses	\$2,418.56	\$7,000.00		\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
	Total:	\$16,199.02	\$21,963.00		\$22,507.00	\$22,507.00
2-174	147-TRAFFIC STUDY COMM					
	Traffic Study Comm. Expense	\$0.00	\$200.00		\$200.00	\$200.00
	<b>TOTAL - PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>\$2,475,658.48</b>	<b>\$2,685,096.00</b>		<b>\$2,815,713.00</b>	<b>\$2,801,945.00</b>
2-200	200-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT					
2-198	School Budget	\$9,827,152.00	\$10,582,255.00		\$11,890,500.00	\$11,559,718.00
	Transportation	\$364,129.18	\$427,000.00			
	<b>TOTAL - SCHOOL DEPT.</b>	<b>\$10,191,281.18</b>	<b>\$11,009,255.00</b>		<b>\$11,890,500.00</b>	<b>\$11,559,718.00</b>
2-264	201-SO. SH. REG'L SCHOOL					
	Regional School Assessment	\$63,662.00	\$53,906.00		\$93,355.00	\$93,355.00



	EXPENDED	APPROPRIATION	DEPARTMENT	ADVISORY
	1996	1997	REQUESTS	RECOMMENDS
<b>300-HIGHWAY DEPT.</b>				
2-146 Highway Surveyor's Salary	\$27,186.00	\$28,137.00	\$30,000.00	\$29,125.00
2-147 Highway Dept. Payrolls	\$135,664.30	\$157,464.00	\$169,210.00	\$169,210.00
2-149 Highway Department Clerical	\$24,650.76	\$26,743.00	\$27,508.00	\$27,508.00
2-265 Highway Out-of-State Travel		\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
2-266 Highway General Expense	\$48,175.77	\$48,194.00	\$50,794.00	\$48,700.00
2-267 Highway Signs & Road Marking	\$14,169.12	\$31,400.00	\$31,400.00	\$31,400.00
2-268 Snow Removal & Sanding	\$329,400.42	\$117,600.00	\$117,600.00	\$117,600.00
2-269 Operation & Maint. of Equip.	\$23,200.00	\$23,200.00	\$23,200.00	\$23,200.00
2-270 Highway Town Gasoline	\$42,043.39	\$29,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$33,000.00
2-271 Highway Water Services	\$3,565.87	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
<b>TOTAL - HIGHWAY</b>	<b>\$648,055.63</b>	<b>\$468,739.00</b>	<b>\$489,713.00</b>	<b>\$484,744.00</b>
<b>307-STREET LIGHTING</b>				
2-272 Street Lights Expense	\$50,254.37	\$55,888.00	\$55,888.00	\$55,888.00
<b>401-WATER DEPARTMENT</b>				
2-148 Superintendent	\$48,940.00	\$51,313.00	\$51,313.00	\$51,313.00
2-151 Water Commissioners' Salary	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00
2-152 Water Clerical	\$43,737.85	\$45,631.00	\$46,595.00	\$46,595.00
2-153 Water Payrolls	\$107,864.80	\$149,550.00	\$149,534.00	\$149,534.00
2-274 Water General Expenses	\$203,218.77	\$271,754.00	\$272,054.00	\$272,054.00
2-275 Water Well Cleaning		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL - WATER DEPT.</b>	<b>\$405,861.42</b>	<b>\$520,348.00</b>	<b>\$521,598.00</b>	<b>\$521,598.00</b>
<b>485-MASS. HISTORICAL</b>				
2-277 Historical Comm. General Exp.	\$4,082.53	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00
<b>TOTAL - MASS HISTORICAL</b>	<b>\$4,082.53</b>	<b>\$4,200.00</b>	<b>\$4,200.00</b>	<b>\$4,200.00</b>

	EXPENDED	APPROPRIATION	DEPARTMENT	ADVISORY
	1996	1997	REQUESTS	RECOMMENDS
				1998
	<b>487-CONSERVATION COMM.</b>			
2-154	Conservation Clerical	\$8,084.92	\$8,115.00	\$8,311.00
2-155	Conservation Agent's Salary	\$22,354.00	\$24,061.00	\$25,729.00
2-278	Conservation General Exp.	\$2,926.70	\$4,550.00	\$4,550.00
2-280	Conservation Fund		\$0.00	\$1.00
	<b>TOTAL - CONSERVATION</b>	<b>\$33,365.62</b>	<b>\$36,726.00</b>	<b>\$38,591.00</b>
	<b>501-BOARD OF HEALTH</b>			
2-156	Board Members' Salaries	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00
2-157	Health Agent Salary	\$39,415.00	\$41,399.00	\$44,323.00
2-158	Health Clerical	\$24,650.76	\$28,243.00	\$29,408.00
2-279	Hazardous Waste	\$5,993.98	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
2-281	General Expenses	\$14,452.80	\$24,425.00	\$27,125.00
2-282	Solid Waste Disposal	\$319,043.46	\$330,200.00	\$339,600.00
2-283	Health Landfill Maintenance	\$853.89	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00
	<b>TOTAL - BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	<b>\$405,459.89</b>	<b>\$436,317.00</b>	<b>\$455,006.00</b>
	<b>531-COUNCIL ON AGING</b>			
2-160	Council on Aging Payroll	\$68,818.00	\$72,551.00	\$84,735.00
2-284	General Expenses	\$10,939.00	\$9,325.00	\$10,025.00
	<b>TOTAL - COUNCIL ON AGING</b>	<b>\$79,757.00</b>	<b>\$81,876.00</b>	<b>\$92,760.00</b>
	<b>551-VETERANS' EXP.</b>			
2-161	Veterans' Agent Salary	\$2,003.00	\$2,074.00	\$2,074.00
2-162	Vets. Service Officer's Salary	\$2,655.00	\$2,748.00	\$2,748.00
2-285	Veterans' General Expenses	\$95.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
2-286	Veterans' Benefits	\$7,674.36	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
2-287	Memorial Day Expenses	\$787.03	\$800.00	\$800.00
	<b>TOTAL - VETERANS' EXP.</b>	<b>\$13,214.39</b>	<b>\$11,322.00</b>	<b>\$11,322.00</b>



	EXPENDED	APPROPRIATION	DEPARTMENT	ADVISORY
	1996	1997	REQUESTS	RECOMMENDS
<b>571-TOWN CEMETERY</b>				
2-288 Washington St. Cem. Expense	\$12,445.66	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
<b>TOTAL - TOWN CEMETERY</b>	<b>\$12,445.66</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
<b>601-LIBRARY</b>				
2-164 Library Director's Salary	\$48,947.00	\$51,321.00	\$51,320.00	\$51,320.00
2-165 Library Payroll	\$157,675.59	\$174,279.00	\$187,977.00	\$180,000.00
2-177 Old Colony Network	\$12,448.00	\$14,750.00	\$14,750.00	\$14,750.00
2-289 Library General Expenses	\$72,929.94	\$87,810.00	\$92,810.00	\$92,810.00
<b>TOTAL - LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$292,000.53</b>	<b>\$328,160.00</b>	<b>\$346,857.00</b>	<b>\$338,880.00</b>
<b>621-RECREATION DEPT.</b>				
2-166 Recreation Supt. Salary	\$42,671.00	\$46,374.00	\$47,525.00	\$47,525.00
2-167 Recreation Payroll	\$29,569.20	\$31,566.00	\$33,070.00	\$33,070.00
2-290 Recreation General Expenses	\$3,781.11	\$5,898.00	\$7,072.00	\$7,072.00
<b>TOTAL - RECREATION</b>	<b>\$76,021.31</b>	<b>\$83,838.00</b>	<b>\$87,667.00</b>	<b>\$87,667.00</b>
<b>700-DEBT SERVICE</b>				
2-292 Principal - Town	\$130,000.00	\$130,000.00	\$498,000.00	\$498,000.00
Water	\$115,000.00	\$115,000.00	\$385,000.00	\$385,000.00
<b>TOTAL:Principal</b>			<b>\$883,000.00</b>	<b>\$883,000.00</b>
2-293 Interest - Town	\$42,100.00	\$35,170.00	\$154,487.50	\$148,412.50
Water	\$38,410.00	\$101,770.00	\$140,132.50	\$146,207.50
Bonding Costs	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$35,001.00	\$35,001.00
Temporary Bonds-Town		\$40,406.00	\$96,700.00	\$96,700.00
Water	\$4,756.10	\$109,125.00		
<b>TOTAL: Interest</b>			<b>\$426,321.00</b>	<b>\$426,321.00</b>
<b>TOTAL - DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>\$330,266.10</b>	<b>\$531,771.00</b>	<b>\$1,309,321.00</b>	<b>\$1,309,321.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$17,615,055.90</b>	<b>\$18,999,776.00</b>	<b>\$20,996,358.00</b>	<b>\$20,585,164.00</b>

**ARTICLE 3** - To see if the Town will appropriate the sums recommended, or any other sum or sums, for Capital Outlay, as set forth in the following schedule, and determine whether such sums will be provided by taxation or by transfer or by a combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

<u>Dept. #</u>	<u>Purpose &amp; Agency Authorized to make the expenditure</u>	<u>Department Requests</u>	<u>Capital Budget Recommendations</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>
103	<u>Fire Department</u> Water & Ice Rescue Vehicle New Fire Station Plans	25,000 150,000		
300	<u>Highway Department</u> Front End Loader Underground Fuel Tanks Yr 4 Truck Lease Yr 3 Street Sweeper Lease	135,000 199,000 40,000 27,500	80,000 40,000 27,500	Cash Cash Cash
109	<u>Tree &amp; Grounds</u> Tractor with mower deck Field Maintenance	25,000 150,000		
621	<u>Recreation Department</u> Prouty Avenue Playground Replace Van	17,500 28,000		
401	<u>Water Department</u> New Vehicle Well exploration/development Standpipe & Sediment Removal	19,900 35,000 10,000		Water Revenue Water Revenue Water Revenue
65	<u>Town Hall</u> Pave Parking Lot New Floor Gym/Auditorium Replace Outside Doors Upgrade Computer System	52,000 16,000 5,877 167,600	30,000	Cash
200	<u>School Department</u> Facility Audit Plan Instructional Technology Food Service Van Wastewater Treatment Plant Cole Dishwasher Sparrell Freezer Parking Lot Planning Preventative Maintenance Program	100,000 150,000 20,000 350,000 7,500 2,800 10,000 32,000	75,000 7,500	Cash Cash
30	<u>Town Clerk</u>	21,000		
101	<u>Police Department</u> Pave Parking Lot Breathalyzer Underground Tank (see above)	12,000 6,700	12,000 6,700	Cash Cash
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1,815,377</b>	<b>278,700</b>	

The Advisory Board recommends this article. The Capital Budget Committee has presented a responsible recommendation for Capital outlay which addresses only the most immediate needs of the various town departments.



**ARTICLE 4** - To see if the Town will vote to adjust the compensation schedule under the Personnel Plan by a general increase of 0% for Grades 1 thru 13 and 2.5% for Grades 14 thru 16, amounting to \$6,596.00 and fund the recommended Upgrades amounting to \$23,710.00 for a total of \$30,306.00, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Personnel Board

**The Advisory Board recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 5** - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to meet the obligations for union and personal contracts for Fiscal Year 1998, said sum to be apportioned by the Town Accountant to the applicable line items in Article 2, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.**

**ARTICLE 6** - To see if the Town will vote to approve the following new Classification Plan for non-union employees effective July 1, 1997.

#### Classification Plan

<u>Grade Proposed</u>	<u>Position (with title change)</u>
1	Shelver
2	None
3	None
4	Clerk/Typist
	Custodian
	Van Operator
5	Library Circulation Asst.
6	Administrative Assistant
7	None
8	Outreach Worker
<hr/>	
	Non-Exempt
<hr/>	
	Exempt
9	None
10	Adult Services Librarian
	Children's Services Librarian
	Technical Services Librarian
	Systems Manager
11	None
12	Asst. Executive Secretary
13	Council on Aging Director
14	Town Accountant
	Library Director
	Water Superintendent
15	Town Treasurer/Collector
16	Fire Chief

Requested by the Personnel Board

Shelver - Unclassified to Grade 1  
 Clerk/Typist - from Grade 3 to Grade 4  
 Library Circulation Asst. - from Grade 4 to Grade 5  
 Administrative Assistant - from Grade 5 to Grade 6  
 Outreach Worker - from Grade 7 to Grade 8  
 Adult Services Librarian, Children's Services Librarian, Technical Services Librarian,  
 Systems Manager - from Grade 9 to Grade 10  
 Asst. Executive Secretary - from Grade 9 to Grade 12  
 Council on Aging Director - from Grade 12 to Grade 13

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.**

**ARTICLE 7** - To see if the Town will vote to amend its Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Article XVIII, Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan, adopted December 8, 1986 as follows, or act on anything relative thereto:

Sections or paragraphs crossed out are to be deleted from the policy. Sections in bold are to be added to the policy.

#### SECTION 6. COMPENSATION PLAN

##### f) Longevity Pay

All regular full time employees shall receive longevity payments according to the following schedule:

<u>Length of Service Completed</u>	<u>Annual</u>
<u>Amount</u>	
5 years	\$100
10 years	\$200
15 years	\$300
20 years	\$400
25 years	\$500

Effective July 1, 1998 all longevity categories shall increase by fifty (\$50.00) dollars.

#### SECTION 8. FRINGE BENEFITS

##### a) Vacation Leave

Full time employees shall be entitled to paid vacation in accordance with the following schedule:

A) Upon completion of six months of service .... 1 week  
 B) From one year to four years of service ..... 2 weeks/  
 year

NOTE: 10 days cumulative after first year provided five (5) days in (A) has not been taken.

C) From five years to nine years of service ..... 3 weeks/  
 year

D) Upon completion of ten years of service ..... 4 weeks/ year

An employee shall request vacation leave from his supervisor, giving as much notice as possible.

No employee may take vacation until completing six months of service. If a holiday falls during a vacation period, an additional day off will be scheduled, by agreement with the department head.

Part time employees working at least 20 hours per week are entitled to vacation according to the above schedule, with their vacation pay pro-rated to their weekly schedule. Temporary employees, or employees working fewer than 20 hours per week are not entitled to vacation pay.

Employees are encouraged to take vacation on a regular basis, to allow for the proper rest from the rigors of work. Vacations should normally be taken in units of at least one week. An employee may, however, take vacations leave in separate days subject to department head approval.

~~Vacation leave shall not be accumulated from one year of service to another. Salary shall not be paid in lieu of vacation leave except in cases of emergency and then only with the prior approval of the Personnel Board.~~

The vacation year will begin on the anniversary of the employee's date of hire. An employee will have one year to take his/her vacation time. Vacation time shall not be cumulative and employees will not be permitted to carry over vacation into succeeding years without approval of the Department Head and the Personnel Board and only in emergency situations 3 days may be carried over to be used within 60 (sixty) days.

b) Holidays

The following holidays (or the day on which they are celebrated) are observed:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King's Birthday	Columbus Day
Presidents' Day	Veterans' Day
Patriot's Day	Thanksgiving
Memorial Day	Friday after Thanksgiving
Independence Day	Christmas Day

c) Sick Leave

Each full time employee shall accumulate sick leave at the rate of one and one quarter day for each month of employment (15 days/year). Unused sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 120 days.

Department heads may, in their discretion, require medical certification of any illness.

Probationary employees are entitled to sick leave after completing at least one month of service.

Part time employees who work a minimum of 20 hours per week are eligible to accumulate sick leave on a pro-rated basis.

Upon retirement, ~~as determined by the Plymouth County Retirement Board~~, or death of the employee, the Town will buy back all unused sick days accumulated above fifty (50) days. Payment will be made at the current pay scale of the employee at the time of death or retirement.

d) Bereavement Leave

Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted up to five (5) days of bereavement leave in the event of the death of spouse, parent, child, or stepchild. Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted up to four (4) days of bereavement leave in the event of the death of a brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, parent-in-law, son-in-law or daughter-in-law, or member of employee's household. Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted up to two (2) days of bereavement leave for the death of a sister-in-law or brother-in-law. Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted one (1) day of bereavement leave for the death of an aunt or uncle.

If the death of one of the above, due to distance and travel time, creates a hardship for the employee to return to work within the time limits outlined, the Department Head and Executive Secretary may grant two additional unpaid days of bereavement leave.

**AMEND THE PERSONNEL BY LAW AND DELETE ANY REFERENCE TO THE LEAD DISPATCHER AND DISPATCHERS.**

Requested by the Personnel Board

The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.

*Explanation: The Lead Dispatcher and Dispatchers and now part of the Local 925 Union.*

**ARTICLE 8 -** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding a new section entitled "Bonus Performance Evaluation Plan", to become



effective July 1, 1998, or act on anything relative thereto:

**Bonus Performance Evaluation Plan:** The governing bodies of the Town's executive officers, covered by the Personnel Bylaw, will evaluate the performance of their "executives", yearly. These evaluations and recommendations will be submitted to the Personnel Board prior to October 1. If the governing body has also approved a "performance bonus" for an individual, the evaluation must include documentation on how their department executive achieved this degree of excellence.

If a "Bonus Performance" is recommended, the Personnel Board must render a decision by November 1.

Goals and expectations may vary with respect to the degree of accomplishments mutually determined by the employees and their governing body, but all should have the common traits of foresight, leadership, performance, and reflect the impact, at a higher level, on the performance of the town's operation in the prior year.

The bonus money to the "executive" for excellence in the performance of their duties maybe up to, but not exceed, 3% of their previous year's fiscal salary. Bonus money will be paid out in the first thirty (30) days of the new fiscal year in one lump sum. Bonus money shall not be added to the base salary and not considered a guaranteed benefit, but a goal to be achieved each year.

This plan will cover the department executives covered in the Classification Plan between Grades 14 and 16.

**Note:** The Personnel Board will prepare and submit prior to October 1, to the governing bodies of these department executives an evaluation and outline of necessary documentation.

Requested by the Personnel Board

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.**

**ARTICLE 9** - To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor for the purpose of repair and other related work to the Bridge Street/Union Street Bridge, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.**

**ARTICLE 10** - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$150,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the

direction of the Highway Surveyor for resurfacing sections of Town Ways, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board recommends this article. This appropriation is part of a long term commitment by this Board to continue to maintain the town roads.**

**ARTICLE 11** - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$800.00, or any other sum, to be expended with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the continued improvement and maintenance of Gaffield Park, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board recommends this article. The proceeds from the article will be used to fund an ongoing maintenance program at Gaffield Park.**

**ARTICLE 12** - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds (Water Department Surplus Revenue and/or Water Department Operating Revenue) the sum of \$10,000 or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners for the purpose of inspecting two (2) water storage facilities and removing accumulated sediments, or take any action relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners

**The Advisory Board recommends this article. This inspection will determine the condition of the interior of the water storage tanks located at Paradise Drive and Judges Hill. The results will be used to formulate an accurate maintenance budget.**

**ARTICLE 13** - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds (Water Department Surplus Revenue and/or Water Department Operating Revenue) \$35,000 or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners for Well Exploration and associated work, or take action relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners

**The Advisory Board recommends this article. Well exploration is an ongoing expense. In 1998 the Board of Water Commissioners will install a new test well at the South Street Water Treatment Facility with the potential for increased water supply.**

**ARTICLE 14** - To see if the Town will vote to



appropriate from available funds (Water Department Surplus and/or Water Department Operating Revenue) \$85,000 or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the Water Commissioners for payment of indirect expenses, compensation various Town Departments which fund and provide services to the Water Department during the fiscal year, or take any action relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners

**The Advisory Board recommends this article. This money represents a transfer from water revenues to the general fund for repayment of indirect expenses that compensate various town departments who provide services during the year.**

**ARTICLE 15** - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$22,000 to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission for the removal of weeds at Jacob's Pond, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Conservation Commission

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. As much as we would like to remove the weeds from Jacob's Pond, we feel there are not sufficient funds to cover this article. In addition, we are hopeful that an agreement can be made with a local developer to fund this project on an ongoing basis.**

**ARTICLE 16** - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds \$100,000 to be expended under the direction of the School Committee for the purpose of conducting a Facility Audit and Long Range Educational Master Plan for the Town of Norwell.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board recommends this article. The Advisory Board recognizes the long term facility needs of Norwell Schools. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts school building assistance act will reimburse the town for 65% for all school construction, expansion and renovation projects provided a system-wide educational and facility audit is completed.**

*Article 16 Explanation: This Article is being submitted in recognition of the long term facility needs currently facing the Norwell Schools. Under the Department of Education's School Building Assistance Act, the Town of Norwell is currently eligible for 65% reimbursement for all school construction, expansion and renovation projects. One of the requirements to be eligible for such*

*reimbursement is the development of a long range master plan documenting system-wide educational and facility needs. By taking this approach, the costs of this Facility Audit and Long Range Educational Master Plan can be included in the total project scope and the costs of this effort reimbursed at the 65% rate.*

**ARTICLE 17** - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds \$350,000 to be expended under the direction of the School Committee for the purpose of replacing the existing High School Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. The Advisory Board believes that further studies and estimates are required before the town spends \$350,000.**

*Article 17 Explanation: The High School Waste Water Treatment Plant which also serves the Norwell Public Library and the Trees and Grounds Department is currently operating with an expired license and not in compliance with current regulations. In the April 1996 Annual Town Meeting, \$20,000 was appropriated to evaluate and define a cost effective solution to the waste water needs of these three Town facilities. Though the analysis is still in process, we believe the problems can be rectified for an expenditure of less than \$350,000. We further expect that we will have more detailed estimates within the next two months.*

**ARTICLE 18** - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds \$32,500 to be expended under the direction of the School Committee for the purpose of acquiring and implementing a Preventative Maintenance Program. Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. The Advisory Board believes that money for preventive maintenance of a building belongs in the departmental budget of the department responsible for the building.**

*Currently the annual maintenance of the basic building and mechanical systems is continually increasing. Partially due to insufficient funding and the absence of a formalized preventative maintenance program, the frequency and cost of corrective maintenance is growing. The School Committee believes that taking the initiative to implement a programmed plan of Preventative Maintenance, can extend the life of many facility components and improve the operational efficiency of the building sub-systems.*

**ARTICLE 19** - To see if the Town will vote to create statutorily authorized revolving accounts for all

recognized school purposes in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 71, Section 71E.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. The Advisory Board believes that monies received into and expended from revolving funds circumvent the budgeting process and will result in the taxpayers of Norwell not having a say as to how the money is expended.**

**ARTICLE 20** - To see if the Town will vote to create statutorily authorized revolving accounts for lost text books and industrial arts supplies in accordance with provision of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. The Advisory Board believes that monies received into and expended from revolving funds circumvent the budgeting process and will result in the taxpayers of Norwell not having a say as to how the money is expended.**

**ARTICLE 21** - To see if the Town will vote to create statutorily authorized revolving accounts for receipt of gifts, grants, funds subventions or subsidies for educational purposes in accordance with provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53A.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. The Advisory Board believes that monies received into and expended from revolving funds circumvent the budgeting process and will result in the taxpayers of Norwell not having a say as to how the money is expended.**

**ARTICLE 22** - To see if the Town will vote to create statutorily authorized revolving accounts for purposes of recovering compensation for work performed by any Town employee while off duty which is related to the regular employment or for special detail work which is not related to their employment in accordance with provision of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53C.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. The Advisory Board believes that monies received into and expended from revolving funds circumvent the**

**udgeting process and will result in the taxpayers of Norwell not having a say as to how the money is expended.**

*Article 19, 20, 21 and 22 are being submitted to facilitate the implementation of Chapter 71, Section 41 as amended by Chapter 66, Acts of 1996, "STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS" as well as establish the legal mechanisms for collecting funds from outside parties who use the School's facilities. Funds currently held in various Student Activity/Principal's funds contain monies that should be accounted for in the provisions of the statutes referenced in School Committee Articles 19, 20, 21 and 22. In essence, we are attempting to improve how we manage the financial activities of the Schools and comply with the statutes of the Commonwealth.*

*Chapter 71, Section 71 E was accepted by the Town on March 9, 1981 but limited via the wording of the article to "Adult Education". The intention of the School Committee Article 18 is to accept Chapter 71 Section 71E in its entirety which would allow the School Committee to establish revolving funds for adult education, continuing education, summer school, community school programs and use of school properties by outside individuals and organizations.*

*Chapter 44, Section 53C was accepted by the Town of Norwell on March 14, 1972 but limited to use by the Police Department for special details. By accepting the provisions of this statute, the School Committee can obtain reimbursement from outside individuals and organizations to fund the compensation of custodians when the custodians are required solely for the convenience of the outside individual or organization. Today, these expenses are funded by the Town through the School Committee Budget.*

**ARTICLE 23** - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$500 for educational purposes to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board in order to commence the process of developing a long range plan according to M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 81D.

Requested by the Planning Board

**The Advisory Board will make their recommendation at town meeting. As we go to press, the Planning Board has not had an opportunity to vote on this article.**

**ARTICLE 24** - To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Norwell to read as follows:

**2431. The minimum frontage measured at the street line shall be: 80 feet for lots in all districts. ~~Street frontage will be continuous and uninterrupted~~**



A). One (1) Acre. The minimum frontage measured at the street line shall be 150 feet.

B). Two (2) Acres. The minimum frontage measured at the street line shall be 100 feet.

C). Three (3) acres. The minimum frontage measured at the street line shall be 50 feet.

D). Cul-de-sac lots. The minimum frontage measured at the street line shall be 80 feet.

~~2432. The minimum lot width measured at the required setback line shall be 150 feet for lots in all districts except Business District A and B where the minimum shall be 125 feet.~~

Minimum Lot Width, Frontage, Required Setback line and Access:

A). One (1) Acre. The minimum lot width shall be 150 feet for the depth of the lot except when the lot is located on a cul-de-sac.

B). Two (2) or more acres. The minimum lot width shall be 100 feet for the depth of the lot except when the lot is located on a cul-de-sac.

C). Three (3) or more acres. The minimum lot width shall be 50 feet for the depth of the lot except when the lot is located on a cul-de-sac.

D). For Lots located on a cul-de-sac, the minimum lot width measured at the required setback line shall be 150 feet for lots in all districts.

E). Street Frontage shall be continuous and uninterrupted.

2450. Lot Shape. No building lot may be created on a cul-de-sac lot in Residential District ... (the rest of the paragraph including 2450 a), b) and c). remains unchanged).

~~d) no dwelling may be erected or placed unless within a circle 150 feet in diameter inscribed within the lot lines.~~

2451. No dwelling may be erected or placed on a lot unless within a circle 150 feet in diameter inscribed within the lot lines.

2462. House Numbers. A permanent house number must be visible from the street line

Requested by the Planning Board

**The Advisory Board will make their recommendation at town meeting. As we go to press, the Planning Board has not had an opportunity to hold a public**

**hearing on this article.**

**ARTICLE 25** - To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw for the Town by adding a new paragraph to Section VI.G (6.900), General Provisions, to read as follows:

**"VI.G.9 (6.990) Communication Tower Moratorium.** In all zoning districts of the Town, beginning immediately and effective until November 15, 1997 or if said period is deemed excessive by any reviewing authority, until the latest date prior to November 15, 1997 approved by such reviewing authority, there shall be a moratorium on the establishment, erection, construction, or extension of all communication towers. This moratorium includes, but is not limited to, all cellular towers used for cellular phone communications equipment and all telecommunication towers used for telecommunication equipment and for telecommunication transmitting. Exempted from this moratorium are amateur radio towers erected on existing residential lots by, and solely for the use of, residents of the Town, so long as these conform to the Height Regulations defined by Section VII.A. (7.100) of this By-Law. Also exempted from this moratorium is the razing, demolition, or removal of any existing communication tower.

The purpose of this moratorium is to enable the Town to study any potentially adverse effects of such communication towers and to initiate and implement zoning and land use regulations which would minimize any adverse visual impact of such towers, limit any adverse health and environmental impacts, avoid any potential damage to adjacent properties, lessen any detrimental impact upon neighboring properties, reduce any potential vehicular traffic impact, maximize the use of any existing or to be proposed towers, minimize the number of such towers required to be constructed, and limit or reduce emissions in order to minimize any potentially adverse effects upon the health and welfare of the residents of the Town."or, take any action relative thereto.

Requested by the Planning Board

**The Advisory Board will make their recommendation at town meeting. As we go to press the Planning Board has not had an opportunity to hold a public hearing on this article.**

**ARTICLE 26** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the cost of architectural and engineering services for plans and specifications for a new fire station, including all documents necessary to seek bids with respect to the construction thereof; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or from available funds; or to take any other



action relative thereto.

Requested by the Fire Chief

The Advisory Board recommends this article. In particular, the Advisory Board strongly recommends the use of the remaining \$106,000 in the Stabilization Fund be used for this purpose. A new station in the west end of the town will provide rapid response in the area of the town where it is needed the most.

**ARTICLE 27** - Will the Town of Norwell vote to transfer approximately two acres of land located on the southwesterly side of Washington Street presently under the control of the Board of Water Commissioners to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of construction of a new Fire Station contingent that if the Fire Station or Fire Department has no need for this property in the future that the control will be re-transferred from the Board of Selectmen back to the Board of Water Commissioners.

Requested by the Fire Chief

The Advisory Board recommends this article.

**ARTICLE 28** - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a certain sum of money for the purpose of providing a Senior Real Estate Tax Credit for older citizens in the Town. This pursuant to an agreement to be formulated by the COA, the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessor's and approved by the Town, or act in relation thereto.

Requested by Council on Aging

The Advisory Board recommends this article. The passage of this article will afford our senior citizens some relief from their real estate taxes by allowing them to assist various town departments with clerical and other tasks. The amount will benefit 20 individuals of the approximately 500 who are eligible

**ARTICLE 29** - To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to implement the recommendations of the Computer Study Committee.

Requested by the Computer Study Committee

The Advisory Board recommends the sum of \$50,000 to fund the first phase of a three phased solution. This approach will improve efficiency in Town Hall immediately by providing high speed printers. It will also provide for the networking backbone in preparation of the second phase of the project.

**ARTICLE 30** - To see if the Town will accept the provisions of M.G.L., Chp. 59, Sect. 5, which allows the maximum qualifying gross receipts amount found in

Clause 41A to be \$40,000.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

The Advisory Board recommends this article. The provisions of Massachusetts General Law provide for the deferment of property tax payments for senior citizens who qualify by virtue of their age and income level. This article raises the qualifying level of gross income from \$20,000 to \$40,000.

**ARTICLE 31** - To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Government Study Committee to review the Town's current form of government and report back no later than 1999 Annual Town Meeting with their recommendations.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.

**ARTICLE 32** - Will the Town vote pursuant to the authority granted under M.G.L. Ch. 44, 53E 1/2, to establish the following revolving fund for the purpose of receiving fees and making disbursements in connection with the authorized duties of the Board of Health for the Recycling/Composting Program. No more than \$2,000 shall be expended from this fund during fiscal year 1998. The Board of Health or their designees shall be authorized to expend from this fund.

Requested by the Board of Health  
The Advisory Board

*Article 32 Explanation: Recycling/Composting Program Revolving Fund: All fees received by the Board of Health/Recycling from the sale of recycling buckets, recycling stickers, the sale of scrap iron and white goods, etc., (items purchased for resale) shall be deposited into the fund. Any funds collected over the \$2,000 cap shall be deposited in the Towns General Fund. Amount credited to this fund shall be expended without further appropriation for the services of the Solid Waste Division of the Board of Health for purchase of educational materials, repair and maintenance of recycling of equipment and facilities to promote waste reduction, recycling and composting.*

**ARTICLE 33** - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$150,000 or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the Director of Lands and Natural Resources for planning, maintenance and materials of all athletic fields within the Town of Norwell.

Requested by the Director of Lands and Resources

The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. While the improvement of our town fields is a worthy goal, we do not currently have the resources to support this level of funding. Some of these issues, however, have been addressed by this board with a recommended increase in the appropriate line of the operating budget.

**ARTICLE 34** - To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to survey or otherwise define the boundaries of Recreation Commission land - approximately twenty (20) acres - at Stetson Meadows, to be expended by the Recreation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Recreation Commission

The Advisory Board will make their recommendation at town meeting. As we do to press, the Recreation Commission does not have a firm figure for this project.

**ARTICLE 35** - To see if the Town will form a five (5) member Pool Study Committee with one (1) member from the Recreation Commission, one (1) member from the School Committee and three (3) at large members to study the feasibility of an aquatic facility and appropriate a sum of money \$2,500 to assist the committee study; to be expended by the Recreation Commission; or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Recreation Commission

The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. Due to severe financial restraints we find it impossible to fund this article.

**ARTICLE 36** - To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money \$4,000 to repair, improve, and replace equipment and surfacing at the Reynolds Playground on Prouty Avenue; to be expended by the Recreation Commission; or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Recreation Commission

The Advisory Board recommends this article. The proceeds from this article will fund the removal of dangerous equipment, repair the swings and add surfacing under the swings.

**ARTICLE 37** - To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money, \$8,000, to hire a landscape architect, architect engineering firm to develop a master plan for repairs, improvements, and design of facilities on the recreational properties under Recreation Commission management including Reynolds (Prouty Ave.) Playground, Woodworth Park (Little League fields);

Centennial Park (Pine Street) and 20 acres at Stetson Meadows; to be expended by the Recreation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Recreation Commission

The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. Again, due to severe budget restraints we find it impossible to fund this article.

**ARTICLE 38** - Will the Town vote to accept Stanley Road as a public way and authorize the Selectmen to acquire by gift or by taking of eminent domain in fee simple, the land within the layout of said way accepted thereunder, for the purposes of said way, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.

**ARTICLE 39** - We move that the Town accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 108L of the M.G.L. entitled, "Career Incentive Program", more commonly known as the "Quinn Bill".

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.

**ARTICLE 40** - To see if the Town will vote to rezone as follows: The premises numbered as 7 Brantwood Road standing in the name of MaryEllen Sinatra, and listed as Lot 1, Block 25, on the Assessors map #12, be rezoned and so designated so as to change its zoning from Residential to Business District B, and the Town Clerk is authorized to change the zoning to reflect this change.

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.

**ARTICLE 41** - To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,000 to contract with South Shore Women's Center for domestic violence intervention and prevention services to its resident.

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. While we believe the cause to be a worthy one, we do not believe it is appropriate for the town to establish



the precedent of making contributions to such organizations. There are many organizations that we, and presumably others in the community, believe are worthy. Clearly, the town does not have the resources to contribute to all such organizations, and thus we believe no such contributions should be made.

**ARTICLE 42** - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds \$35,000 or any other sum, to complete the Norwell Avenue 1985 planned drainage system (currently only partially built) to correct flooding problems.

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.**

*Article 42 Explanation: The estimated dollar amount was obtained on January 17, 1997 from Neno Geneva, Geneva Construction, Inc., Braintree, MA (Constructor of the Norwell Ave. partial system.)*

**ARTICLE 43** - To see if the Town will appropriate from Free Cash, the sum of \$25,000, or any other sum, to assist in the cost of construction of lighting athletic facilities at Norwell High School, including four (4) tennis courts, basketball court, and the football field/track, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

**The Advisory Board recommends this article in the amount of \$15,000. The Advisory Board is unanimously in favor of the concept, but due to budgetary restraints, we feel we are only able to recommend an expenditure of \$15,000 at this time.**

**ARTICLE 44** - Womansplace Crisis Center (formerly Plymouth County Rape Crisis Center) requests from the Town that \$2,500 be raised and appropriated to the Center in fiscal year 998 in lieu of services provided to sexual assault survivors and their families.

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. Our reasoning is the same as stated in Article 41.**

**ARTICLE 45** - To see if the Town will amend Article II of the Zoning By Laws as follows:

2100. Amend by adding "Assisted Living District" between Business Districts A, B, and C and Saltmarsh Conservation District (Overlay District).

By amending the zoning map to show specific William's

site.

By Adding:

2350. Assisted Living District

2351. With a Special Permit pursuant to the provisions of Section 1400 and a Site Plan Review pursuant to the provisions of Section 1500, Assisted Living Residences, certified pursuant to the provisions of G.L., c. 19D, shall be permitted, subject to the following standards and conditions:

(a) Any development proposed pursuant to the provisions of this Section 2350 shall comply with, be governed by, and certified pursuant to the provisions of G.L., c. 19D, or any successor statute thereto.

(b) There shall be a minimum lot requirement of ten (10) acres for the development for Assisted Living Residences.

(c) The average number of assisted living units per acre in any development shall not exceed eight (8), of which not more than twenty (20%) percent shall contain more than one bedroom and no assisted living units shall exceed two bedrooms.

(d) Each assisted living unit shall consist of at least one room, exclusive of hall and bathroom. There shall be at least 250 square feet of enclosed floor space for an assisted living unit. For each additional bedroom, an additional 120 square feet shall be required.

(e) Building coverage. Sections 2471 and 2472 shall not apply to developments proposed pursuant to this Section 2350. Buildings, structures, driveways and parking areas along with any other impervious areas, shall not be erected, installed or added to so as to exceed 35% of the lot developed for Assisted Living Residences pursuant to this section.

(f) Section 3140 shall not apply to developments proposed pursuant to this section. A minimum of one-quarter parking space shall be provided for each assisted living unit.

(g) All utilities shall be underground.

(h) No space below ground level shall be approved for dwelling purposes.

(i) The placement, size, arrangement and use of access routes to public or private streets shall be adequate to serve residents and provide no hindrance to the safety of existing or proposed streets. Street and parking lot grading, drainage and surfacing shall comply with the specifications of the Subdivision Rules and Regulations of the Norwell Planning Board.

2352. Each application for Special Permit for an Assisted Living Residence development shall be subject to the provisions of Section 1500, Site Plan Review in its entirety.

2353. The issuance of a Special Permit for an Assisted Living Residence development shall be subject to the following provisions and procedures.

(a) The development plan shall consist of those plans and other representations, tables, covenants, restrictions and conditions as may be determined by the Board of Appeals. Such development plan as approved by the Board of Appeals and bearing the signature of the Chairman of the Board of Appeals shall be retained by the Board of Appeals, and copies of such development plan bearing the signature of the Chairman of the Board of Appeals shall forthwith, upon approval, be filed by the Board with the Town Clerk, the Planning Board and the Building Commissioner. The foregoing requirements are in addition to and not in substitution for any applicable provision of statute. Upon the approval of a development plan, the Board of Appeals shall issue to the landowner a notice, certified by the chairman or clerk, containing the name and address of the landowner, identifying the land affected and stating that approval has been granted which is set forth in the Office of the Town Clerk. Such notice shall be recorded in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds within such ninety (90) days of such approval shall be void.

(b) No building or use permit shall be used with respect to any building in any Assisted Living Residence development except in specific compliance with the approved filed development plan.

(c) No change in content in the approved development plan shall be effective until such change shall have been approved by the Board of Appeals and the change shall have been filed as provided in subparagraph (b) above.

Amend Article VI by Adding:

6600. Assisted Living District.

6610. Use metes and bounds of actual site.

Meets and Bounds Property Description: Assisted Living District, Norwell, MA

Property owned by George and Mary Williams, 10 acres within the description outlined below.

From a concrete bound on the SW corner S81-45-30W along Assinippi Avenue in an easterly direction to a concrete bound. Turn north S10-23-30W. Turn north 177.4' along the property owned by the Norwell Housing

Authority to a concrete bound, turn east S85-51-30W for 88.14'.

Turn north along Jacob's Lake Shore to a drill hole N63-02-09E, land abutting Skaidrite Brazelis. Turn west approximately 1035' to a drill hole N37-53-06E at Washington Street. Turn south along the property owned by Birtwell, Paradis to a concrete bound abutting land owned by Williams at N35-0032W and N56-48-03E. Turn west 56/37' to a concrete bound. Turn south N22-26-55W to a concrete bound. Turn south N21-19-57W 241.23'

Parcel described above contains 12+/-acres. Assisted Living District to be 10 acres delineated from the total parcel. Existing house on 19 Assinippi Ave. to remain a separate parcel and not part of the Assisted Living District.

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

**The Advisory Board recommends this article. The Assisted Living Facility is beneficial to Norwell as a commercial attribute with a residential character. In this matter, it adds to the tax base without placing significant burden on town services such as the school system. An additional benefit is the commitment by the developer to remove and control the weeds from Jacobs Pond on a continuing basis. The town will benefit from this commitment by the enhanced condition of the pond without the need for an additional tax burden for this service.**

**ARTICLE 46 - Will the Town, through the Highway Department, secure and install a pedestrian-activated traffic light on High Street, at the corner of High and Oak Streets.**

Requested by Ten Registered Voters

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at town meeting.**

*Article 46 Explanation: There are a number of reasons for this request but most evolve around the major concern for the public safety of both pedestrians and bicyclists crossing High Street at that point. We believe that such a light would be a significant safety enhancement in the Cole School Community by providing safer access to the park area adjacent to the school during non-school hours and weekends. This light would also link up with the walkway to and from the shopping district at Queen Ann's Corner.*

**ARTICLE 47 - To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds \$50,000, or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Drainage Study Committee and the**



Highway Surveyor for engineering, installation and or maintenance of Town drainage.

Requested by the Permanent Drainage Study Committee

The Advisory Board recommends this article in the amount of \$20,000. The Advisory Board strongly feels that an article for drainage should be funded every year at the \$50,000 level, however, due to budgetary constraints this year, we reluctantly settled on the reduced amount reflected above.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO ELECTED OFFICIALS

### SALE OF FISH RIGHTS

You are hereby required to notify and warn said inhabitants of Norwell qualified to vote in Town affairs, in case all the articles in the foregoing Warrant shall not be acted upon at the Meeting called for Monday, the fifth day of May, 1997, to meet in adjourned sessions at the Goldman Jr. High School Gym on Main Street, Tuesday, the sixth day of May, 1997 at 7:30 p.m., or act upon such Articles in said Warrant as the Meeting may deem advisable.

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting a copy thereof attested to by you in writing in each of five public places in the Town fourteen days at least before the time for holding and meeting called for in the Warrant. Hereof, fail not and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said Town on or before the eighteenth of April, 1997.

MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL/ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 5, 1997, TUESDAY,  
MAY 6, 1997, AND THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1997

NO QUORUM REQUIRED

ATTENDANCE: Monday, May 5, 1997

Precinct One:	93
Precinct Two:	133
Precinct Three:	<u>142</u>
TOTAL:	368

Tuesday: May 6, 1997

Precinct One:	72
Precinct Two:	118
Precinct Three:	<u>107</u>
TOTAL:	297

Thursday, May 8, 1997

Precinct One:	60
Precinct Two:	89
Precinct Three:	<u>78</u>
TOTAL:	227

At 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 5, 1997, Moderator Roger E. Hughes, Jr., called the meeting to order. Town Clerk Janice Lawson read the Constable's Return of Service of the Warrant.

The invocation was given by Rev. Richard Smith, of St. Helen's Church. Dorothy M. Dickson, Veterans Agent lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Hughes made the following introductions:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Donald R. LeClair, Jr., Chair  
Richard A. Merritt, Vice Chair  
Jean Eckner, Clerk

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:

Annette P. Sexton

TOWN COUNSEL:

Robert E. Galvin, Esq. - 5/8/97  
Robert E. Galvin, Jr. Esquire - 5/5/97, 5/6/97

ADVISORY BOARD:

William F. Shanley  
John G. Mariano  
Edward J. Flynn  
J. Richard Hartigan  
Kenneth E. Hogeland  
Spencer A. Joseph  
Charles R. Markham  
Paul M. Rattigan  
Patricia M. Cummings, Secretary

TOWN ACCOUNTANT:

Carol Amado  
Rita Turco, Assistant

TOWN CLERK:

Janice M. Lawson  
Margaret M. Tobin, Assistant

Moderator Hughes reviewed the rules of the meeting:

1. Speak to the issues and not to personalities.
2. Before speaking, please come toward the microphone. You will be recognized by the Moderator. Identify yourself and give your address.
3. Limit PRO's and CON's to 10 minutes each. Main motion is made, seconded and discussed. The original motion can be amended. However, any motions to amend must be in writing. Amendment will be discussed and voted on before any other amendment will be allowed. We will then turn to the main motion and vote.

4. Reconsideration: Traditionally reconsideration may occur the same night an article is voted or the following night.

Tellers Steve Mott, Herb Heidt, Fred Levin and Bill White were sworn in by the Moderator to hand count votes when necessary.

Moderator entertained a motion to suspend the Annual Town Meeting and take up the business of the Special Town Meeting. It was seconded and unanimously voted as approximately 8:00 p.m.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 5, 1997:

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made by Fred St. Ours, Chairman of the Water Commissioners, seconded and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to rescind the funding from Water Rates Line 1-700-292 in the amount of \$115,000.00 and the funding of Article 35 in the amount of \$85,000.00 as voted in the FY 1997 Annual Town Meeting held April 22, 1996.

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made by Fred St. Ours, Water Commissioner, seconded and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to appropriate from WATER DEPARTMENT SURPLUS REVENUE \$115,000.00 to fund Line 1-700-292 and \$85,000.00 to fund Article 35 to meet Water Department FY 97 budget expenses as approved at Town Meeting April 22, 1996.

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made by Fred St. Hours, Water Commissioner, seconded, and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the



Board of Water Commissioners to acquire, by gift, a parcel of land located off Tiffany Road described as follows:

Shown as Lot 1, containing 36+/- acres on Map 26A, Block 74 of the Norwell Assessors Atlas, for the purpose of public water supply and for the protection of public water supply sources.

**ARTICLE 4:** A motion was made by Fred St. Ours, Water Commissioner, seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to appropriate from **WATER DEPARTMENT REVENUE \$30,000.00** to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners for the laying or relaying of Water Mains of not less than 6 inches in diameter but not greater than 16 inches in diameter, including all associated appurtenances.

**ARTICLE 5:** A motion was made by Paul Foulsham, Highway Surveyor/Director, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to appropriate **\$335,557.00** in anticipation of full (100%) reimbursement by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for Chapter 113, Acts of 1996, first apportionment of the Transportation Enhancement Projects, for State and Highway purposes under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 90, Section 34, Clause 2(A), work on highways, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor, or meet the appropriation by taxation, by transfer or by borrowing, or any combination of the foregoing.

**ARTICLE 6:** A motion was made by Edward Dunford, Board of Assessors, seconded and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this article.  
(Section 40 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1989 regarding assessment date changes for new growth.)

**ARTICLE 7:** A motion was made by Edward Dunford, Board of Assessors, seconded and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to transfer from the Overlay Surplus (Provisions for Abatements and Exemptions) **\$199,000.00** to Dept. 03, Selectmen, Schedule 200, Line 5760, to fund a Court Judgment from the following years:

1990	\$ 10,168.53
1991	\$ 16,472.99
1992	\$ 22,875.39
1993	\$ 33,419.16
1994	\$100,000.00
1995	\$ 16,063.93

A motion to amend this article to transfer from the overlay accounts a total of \$100,000 and to raise and appropriate \$99,000 **FAILED TO CARRY**.

**ARTICLE 8:** A motion was made by Patricia Crowley, Treasurer, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 41B.  
(direct deposit of employees paychecks)

**ARTICLE 9:** A motion was made by Donald R. LeClair, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, seconded, and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to negotiate to purchase for the promotion and development of natural resources, the protection of watershed resources and the promotion and development of open spaces a portion of the Osborne Farm property consisting of thirteen and one-quarter acres (13-1/4 acres) of vacant land, located on Main Street.

An amendment by Steve Ivas, Water Commissioner, to remove the words "Board of Selectmen" and replace them with the "Conservation Commission" **FAILED TO CARRY**.

**ARTICLE 10:** A motion was made by Jean Eckner, Board of Selectmen, seconded, and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this article. (Union Contract Obligations for fiscal 1997, with Local 2700, Norwell Fire Fighters.)

**ARTICLE 11:** **2/3 VOTE REQUIRED: YES: 312; NO: 4 VOTED** to appropriate **\$200,000.00** for the purpose of financing the following water pollution abatement facility projects: repair, replacement and/or upgrade of septic systems, pursuant to agreements between the Board of health and residential property owners, including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow **\$200,000.00** and issue bonds or notes therefor under G.L. Ch. 111, 127B1/2 and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that project and financing cost shall be repaid by the property owners, in accordance with those agreements, but such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the town; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the projects or for the financing thereof; and that the Board of Health and the Treasurer or any other appropriate local body or official is authorized to

enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the projects.

A motion was made by Moderator Hughes to dissolve the Special Town Meeting, it was seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to reconvene the **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING** at 9:40 p.m.

Board of Selectmen chairman, Donald R. LeClair, Jr. thanked Rebecca Freed for serving the Town so ably as Selectwoman and he welcomed Jean Eckner to the Board.

William Shanley, Advisory Board Chairman highlighted expenses in the FY 1998 Budget, reviewed a summary of the budget goals of the Advisory Board and stated that the average tax bill will increase 9.7% if the voters followed the recommendations of the Advisory Board when voting an article.

**ARTICLE ONE:** A motion was made by Donald R. LeClair, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to accept the reports of its Officers, Boards, Departments, Committees and Commissions, as printed in the 1996 Annual Report.

**ARTICLE 2:** (A handout of Article 2 budget Line items was given to each voter as they checked in. After the printing and mailing of the original warrant, several figures needed to be changed in Article 2 line items.)

**ARTICLE 2:** A motion was made by Moderator Hughes, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS** the sums of money set forth in **"THE ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS"** column under **ARTICLE 2 IN THE TRANSCRIPT OF ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT FOR FY 1998 Annual Town Meeting**, with the exception of those line items "held" as listed below, to defray the charges, expenses and salary obligations of the Town, including debt and interest, for the ensuing year, to provide for a Reserve Fund and to fix salaries and compensation for all Elected Officers of the Town, and to meet said appropriations, transfer from Water Surplus, the sum of \$70,000.00 and from Water Revenues, \$982,804.50, and \$375,000.00 from Free Cash, and further fund all other appropriations by taxation.

Moderator Hughes then explained to the assembly that he would read through **"THE ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS COLUMN"** OF **ARTICLE 2** line by line. If anyone had a question about any amount or

wished to change the figure, please say **"HOLD"**. He would then go back to the **"Held"** items one at a time to review, discuss and vote them.

The Line Items that were held are as follows:

2-110 Assessors Clerical Salaries	\$75,139.00
<b>MAJORITY VOTED.</b> (Amended figure \$78,633.00 failed to carry.)	
2-111 Assessors General Exp.	\$10,040.00
(Hold withdrawn)	
2-216 Legal Expenses	\$61,000.00
<b>UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</b>	
2-218 Settlement/Claims	1.00
<b>UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</b>	
2-230 Group Insurance	\$919,000.00
<b>UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</b> (Rev. Figure/Handout)	
2-126 Police Officers Pay	\$975,505.00
<b>MAJORITY VOTED</b>	
2-128 Police Other Payroll	\$30,327.00
<b>MAJORITY VOTED</b>	
2-235 Police General Exp.	\$85,100.00
<b>UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</b>	
2-236 Police Cruiser Exp.	\$91,897.00
<b>MAJORITY VOTED</b>	
2-134 Emergency Comm. Payroll	\$257,242.00
<b>MAJORITY VOTED</b>	
2-244 Tree Dept. General Expen.	\$ 44,894.00
<b>UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</b>	
2-200 School Dept.-School Budget	\$11,576,718*
<b>MAJORITY VOTED</b> ( *amended figure)	
2-272 Street Lighting	\$ 55,888.00
<b>UNANIMOUSLY VOTED</b>	
2-165 Library Payroll	\$180,000.00
<b>MAJORITY VOTED</b> (Amended figure failed to carry)	
2-289 Library General Exp.	92,810.00
<b>MAJORITY VOTED</b>	

A motion was made, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to adjourn the meeting until Tuesday evening, May 6, 1997, at 7:30 pm at the Goldman Jr. High Gymnasium.



**ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING:  
TUESDAY, MAY 6, 1997**

The adjourned session was brought to order by  
Moderator Hughes at 7:30 p.m.

A motion to reconsider Article 2, 2-200, was  
made by William Early, Cape Cod Lane.  
**THIS MOTION FAILED TO CARRY.**

**ARTICLE 3:** A motion was made by  
Jeff Fitzgerald, Capital Budget Committee,  
seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** as  
follows:

<u>Dept. No.</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
300-Highway	Underground	\$ 80,000
	Fuel Tanks	R & A
	4 yr Truck	\$40,000
	Lease	R & A
	3 yr Street	\$27,500
	Sweeper Lease	R & A
401-Water Dept.	New Vehicle	\$19,900
	Fund from Water Revenue	
65 - Town Hall	Pave Park. Lot	\$30,000
		R & A
200 - School Dept.	Instruct. Techn.	\$75,000
		R & A
	Cole Dishwasher	\$ 7,500
101- Police Dept.		R & A
	Pave Park. Lot	\$12,000
		R & A
	Breathalyzer	\$ 6,700
		R & A

**TOTAL RAISE & APPROP.: \$278,700**

**TOTAL WATER REVENUE: \$ 19,900**

A motion was made by Lorraine Olsen, 18 Parker  
Street, to take Article 6 out of order and before Article  
4. It was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to do so.

**ARTICLE 6:** A motion was made by Lorraine Olsen,  
18 Parker Street, seconded, and the **MAJORITY  
VOTED** to approve the new Classification Plan for  
non-union employees effective July 1, 1997, as printed  
in the Warrant,  
and as follows:

**CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR NON-UNION  
EMPLOYEES - EFFECTIVE JULY, 1, 1997**

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Position</u>
1	Shelver
2	None
3	None
4	Clerk/Typist
	Custodian
	Van Operator
5	Library Circ. Assistant
6	Admin. Assistant
7	None
8	Outreach Worker

**EXEMPT**

9	None
10	Adult Servs Librarian
	Children's Servc Libr.
	Technical Services Libr.
	Systems Manager
11	None
12	Assistant Exec. Secr.
13	Council on Aging Dir.
14	Town Accountant
	Library Director
	Water Superintendent
15	Town Treasurer/Collector
16	Fire Chief

**Contract Positions: Executive Secretary and  
Police Chief**

**Unclassified Positions: EMT's, Deputy Fire Chief,  
Sealer of Weights and Measures, School Crossing  
Guards, Veteran's Agent, Veterans' Service Officer,  
Matrons, Election Workers, Including Voting Machine  
Technician, Constables, Chief Warden, Wardens and  
Clerks, Tellers, and Housing Partnership Clerk**

1. Shelver - from Unclassified (\$5.89 to  
Grade 1 (\$7.60 - \$9.51)
2. Clerk/Typist - from Grade 3 (\$8.80 - \$11.01  
to Grade 4 (\$9.51 - \$11.93)
3. Library Circulation Ass't - from Grade 4  
(9.51 - \$11.93) to Grade 5 (\$10.28 - \$12.85)
4. Administrative Assistant - from Grade 5  
(\$10.28 - \$12.85) to Grade 6 (\$11.13 - \$13.90)
5. Outreach Worker - from Grade 7 (\$11.99 -  
\$14.97) to Grade 8 (\$13.14 - \$16.44)
6. Adult Services Librarian, Children's Services  
Librarian, Technical Services Librarian,  
systems Manager - from Grade 9 (\$530.33 -  
\$662.21) to Grade 10 (\$573.42 - \$716.10)
7. Ass't. Executive Secr. - from Grade 9  
(\$530.33 - 662.21) to Grade 12 (\$667.61 -  
834.52)
8. Council on Aging Director - from Grade 12

(667.61 - \$834.52) to Grade 13 (\$721.49 - \$901.83)

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made by Lorraine Olsen, seconded, and the MAJORITY VOTED to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,306.00 and to adjust the compensation schedule under the Personnel Plan by a general increase of 2.5% for only grades 14 through 16 including unclassified positions effective July 1, 1997 amount to \$6,596.00 and fund the recommended upgrade for grades 1 through 13 amounting to \$23,710.00. A motion was made by Richard A. Merritt, Board of Selectmen, seconded and the MAJORITY VOTED to take Article 39 out of order to be discussed and voted before Article 5.

ARTICLE 39: A motion was made by Chris Nichols, Brantwood Road, seconded, and the MAJORITY VOTED to accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 108L of the M.G.L. entitled "Career Incentive Program", more commonly known as the "Quinn Bill". A motion to amend this article to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE IT failed to carry.

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made by Richard Merritt, Board of Selectmen, seconded, and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to raise and appropriate the sum of \$83,000.00 to meet the obligations for Union and Personal contract for Fiscal Year 1998, said sum to be apportioned by the Town Accountant to the applicable line items in Article 2, as follows:

Police Chief - 3.5%	\$ 2,290.00
Police/Quinn Bill	\$58,059.00
Call Fire Fighters 3%	\$ 2,125.00
AFSCME 3.5%	\$20,321.00

ARTICLE 7: A motion was made by Annette Sexton, Executive Secretary/Personnel Board, seconded, and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to amend the Personnel Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Article XVIII, Personnel Classification & Compensation Plan, adopted December 8, 1986, as written in the Warrant noting a correction under Section 8, entitled "Fringe Benefits, Sick Leave", paragraph 5 which should read, "as determined by PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT ADMINISTRATION (PERA) POLICY".

PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN AMENDED, effective July 1, 1997

#### SECTION 6 - COMPENSATION PLAN

#### f) Longevity Pay

All regular full time employees shall receive longevity payments according to the following schedule:

<u>Length of Service Completed</u>	<u>Annual Amount</u>
5 years	\$100
10 years	\$200
15 years	\$300
20 years	\$400
25 years	\$500

Effective July 1, 1998 all longevity categories shall increase by fifty (\$50.00) dollars.

#### SECTION 8 - FRINGE BENEFITS

##### a) Vacation Leave

Full-time employees shall be entitled to paid vacation in accordance with the following schedule:

- a) Upon completion of six months of service, 1 week
  - b) From one year to four years of service, two weeks/year
- NOTE: 10 days cumulative after first year, provided five (5) days in (a) have not been taken.
- c) From five years to nine years of service, 3 weeks/year.
  - d) Upon completion of ten years of service, 4 weeks/year.

An employee shall request vacation leave from his supervisor, giving as much notice as possible.

No employee may take vacation time until completing six months of service. If a holiday falls during a vacation period, an additional day off will be scheduled, by agreement, with the department head.

Part time employees working at least 20 hours per week are entitled to vacation time according to the above schedule, with their vacation pay pro-rated to their weekly schedule. Temporary employees, or employees working fewer than 20 hours per week, are not entitled to vacation pay.

Employees are encouraged to take vacation on a regular basis, to allow for the proper rest from the rigors of work. Vacations should normally be taken in units of at least one week. An employee may, however, take vacation leave in separate days subject to



department head approval.

The vacation year will begin on the anniversary of the employee's date of hire. An employee will have one year to take his/her vacation time. Vacation time shall not be cumulative and employees will not be permitted to carry over vacation days into succeeding years without approval of the Department Head and the Personnel Board. In emergency situations, three (3) days could be carried over to be used within 60 (60) days.

**b) Holidays**

The following holidays (or the day on which they are celebrated are observed:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King's BD	Columbus Day
Presidents' Day	Veterans' Day
Patriots' Day	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Friday after Independence Day
Thanksgiving	Christmas Day

**c) Sick Leave**

Each full-time employee shall accumulate sick leave at the rate of one and one quarter day for each month of employment (15 days/year). Unused sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 120 days.

Department heads may, in their discretion, require medical certification of any illness.

Probationary employees are entitled to sick leave after completing at least one month of service.

Part time employees who work a minimum of 20 hours per week are eligible to accumulate sick leave on a pro-rated basis.

Upon retirement as determined by the Public Employee Retirement Administration (PERA) Policy, or death of the employee, the Town will buy back all unused sick days accumulated above fifty (50) days. Payment will be made at the current pay scale of the employee at the time of death or retirement.

**d) Bereavement Leave**

Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted up to five (5) days of bereavement leave in the event of the death of spouse, parent, child, or stepchild. Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted up to four (4) days of bereavement leave in the event of the death of a brother, sister, grandparent,

grandchild, parent-in-law, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law, or member of employee's household. Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted up to two (2) days of bereavement leave for the death of a sister-in-law or brother-in-law. Full time regular employees and part time regular employees may be granted one (1) day of bereavement leave for the death of an aunt or uncle.

If the death of one of the above, due to distance and travel time, creates a hardship for the employee to return to work within the time limits outlined, the Department Head and Executive Secretary may grant two additional unpaid days of bereavement leave.

**AMEND THE PERSONNEL BYLAW AND DELETE ANY REFERENCE TO THE LEAD DISPATCHER AND DISPATCHERS.**

**ARTICLE 8:** A motion was made by Annette Sexton, Executive Secretary/Personnel Board, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE THIS ARTICLE.** (Amend Personnel Bylaw by adding a new Section entitled "Bonus Performance Evaluation Plan".)

**ARTICLE 9:** A motion was made by Paul Foulsham, Highway Surveyor/Director, seconded, and **MAJORITY VOTED TO INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this article. (To repair Bridge St./Union St. Bridge.)

**ARTICLE 10:** A motion was made by Paul Foulsham, 719 Grove Street, seconded, and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to raise and appropriate \$150,000 to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor for resurfacing sections of Town Ways.

**ARTICLE 11:** A motion was made by Jean Eckner, Selectwoman, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to raise and appropriate \$800.00 to be expended with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for the continued improvement and maintenance of Gaffield Park.

**ARTICLE 12:** A motion was made by Steve Ivas, Water Commissioner, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to transfer from WATER DEPARTMENT SURPLUS REVENUE the sum of \$10,000 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners for the purpose of inspecting two (2) water storage facilities and removing accumulated sediments.

**ARTICLE 13:** A motion was made by Steve Ivas, Water Commissioner, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to transfer from WATER

**DEPARTMENT SURPLUS REVENUE \$35,000.00** to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners for Well Exploration and Associated Work.

**ARTICLE 14:** A motion was made by Steve Ivas, Water Commissioner, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to transfer from **WATER DEPARTMENT SURPLUS REVENUE \$85,000.00** to be expended under the direction of the Water Commissioners for payment of indirect expenses compensating various Town Departments which fund and provide services to the Water Department during the fiscal year.

**ARTICLE 15:** A motion was made by Herbert Heidt, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to table this article until after Article 45.

**ARTICLE 16:** A motion was made by David C. Ennis, Chairman of the School Committee, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to raise and appropriate \$100,000.00 to be expended under the direction of the School Committee for the purpose of conducting a Facility Audit and Long Range Educational Master Plan for the Town of Norwell.

**ARTICLE 17:** A motion was made by David C. Ennis, School Committee, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this article. (Replace the existing High School Waste Water Treatment Plant.)

**ARTICLE 18:** A motion was made by David C. Ennis, School Committee, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this article. (Acquire and Implement a Preventative Maintenance Program).

**ARTICLE 19:** **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** TO **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (Create revolving accounts for all recognized school purposes in accordance with the provisions of the M.G.L. Chapter 71, Section 71E.)

**ARTICLE 20:** **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** TO **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (To create revolving accounts for Lost Text Books and Industrial Arts Supplies in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53.)

**ARTICLE 21:** **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** TO **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (To create revolving accounts for receipts of gifts, grants, funds subventions or subsidies for educational

purposes in accordance with provision of M.G.L., Chapter 44, Section 53A.)

**ARTICLE 22:** **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (To create revolving accounts for purposes of recovering compensation for work performed by any Town employee while off duty which is related to the regular employment or for special detail work which is not related to their employment in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53C).

**ARTICLE 23:** A motion was made by Sally Turner, Planning Board Member, seconded, and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for educational purposes to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board in order to commence the process of developing a long range plan according to M.G.L., Chapter 41, Section 81D.

**ARTICLE 24:** D. Avril Forest moved this article, it was seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** it. (To Amend Zoning Bylaws by changing the size, shape of lots, and frontage requirements.)

**ARTICLE 25:** A motion was made by D. Avril Forest, Planning Board Member, seconded, amended by Richard E. Sullivan, 75 Masthead Drive, and **VOTED: YES 200; NO: 10** to place a **MORATORIUM** on the erection, construction, or extension of all communications antennas and towers covered by Sections 2460 and 2461 of the Zoning Bylaws. This **MORATORIUM** shall be effective in all zoning districts of the Town, with the exception of Town-owned property, for a period of six (6) months until October 5, 1997, or if said period is deemed excessive by any reviewing authority, until the latest date prior to October 5, 1997, approved by such reviewing authority. This **MORATORIUM** includes, but is not limited to, all structures used for telecommunication equipment and for telecommunication transmitting. Exempted from this moratorium are amateur radio antennas and towers erected on existing residential lots by and solely for the use of residents of the Town, so long as these conform to the Height Regulations defined in Sections 2460 and 2461 of this Bylaw. Also exempted from this **MORATORIUM** is the razing, demolition or removal of any existing communications antennas and towers.

**ARTICLE 26:** A motion was made by Fire Chief Paul Rosebach, seconded, and it was **VOTED: YES: 175; NO: 4** to transfer the sum of \$106,000.00 from the **STABILIZATION FUND** for the cost of architectural and engineering services for



plans and specifications for a new fire station, including all documents necessary to seek bids with respect to the construction thereof.

At this point, a motion was made, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to adjourn Town Meeting at approximately 10:30 p.m. until Thursday evening, May 8, 1997, 7:30 p.m., at the Goldman Jr. High School gymnasium.

#### **MINUTES OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1997**

At approximately 7:40 p.m. on Thursday, May 8, 1997, Moderator Roger Hughes, called the Meeting to order.

**ARTICLE 27:** A motion was made by Fire Chief Paul Rosebach, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to transfer approximately two acres of land located on the southwesterly side of Washington Street presently under the control of the Board of Water Commissioners to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of construction of a new Fire Station contingent on the fact that if the Fire Station or Fire Department has no need for this property in the future, the control will be re-transferred from the Board of Selectmen back to the Board of Water Commissioners.

**ARTICLE 28:** A motion was made by Dorothy M. Dickson, Grove Street, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of providing a Senior Real Estate Tax Credit for older citizens in the Town.

**ARTICLE 29:** A motion was made by Mary Cole, Chairwoman of the Computer Study Committee, seconded, and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to raise and appropriate \$50,000.00 to implement the recommendations of the Computer Study Committee.

**ARTICLE 30:** A motion was made by Richard A. Merritt, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (To instruct the Government Study Committee to review the Town's current form of government and report back no later than 1999 Annual Town Meeting with their recommendations.)

**ARTICLE 31:** A motion was made by Jean Eckner, Selectwoman, seconded, and **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to accept provisions of M. G. L. Chapter 59, Section 5, which allows the maximum qualifying gross receipts amount found in Clause 41A to be \$40,000.00.

**ARTICLE 32:** A motion was made by Moderator Hughes for George Cavanagh, Chairman of the Board of Health, seconded, and **MAJORITY VOTED** to establish the following revolving fund for the purpose of receiving fees and making disbursements in connection with the authorized duties of the Board of Health for the Recycling/Composting Program and to fund said account in the amount of \$2,000.00 pursuant to the authority granted under M.G.L. Chapter 44, 53E1/2.

**ARTICLE 33: THIS ARTICLE FAILED TO CARRY.** (Raise and Appropriate \$150,000.00 to be expended under the direction of the Director of Lands and Natural Resources for planning, maintenance and materials of all athletic fields within the Town.)

**ARTICLE 34:** A motion was made by Paul Crowley, Recreation Commission, seconded, and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (To survey the boundaries of Recreation Commission land - approximately twenty (20) acres at Stetson Meadows, to be expended by the Recreation Commission.)

**ARTICLE 35:** A motion was made by Paul Crowley, Recreation Commission, seconded, and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to form a five (5) member Pool Study Committee with one (1) member from the Recreation Commission, one (1) member from the School Committee and three (3) at large members to study the feasibility of a pool facility.

**ARTICLE 36:** A motion was made by Paul Crowley, Recreation Commission, seconded and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 to repair, improve, and replace equipment and surfacing at the Reynolds Playground on Prouty Avenue, to be expended by the Recreation Commission.

**ARTICLE 37: UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (To raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 to hire a landscape architect, architect engineering firm to develop a master plan for repairs, improvements and design of facilities on the recreational properties under Recreation Commission management.)

**ARTICLE 38:** A motion was made by Richard A. Merritt, Selectman, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to accept Stanley Road as a public way and authorize the Selectmen to acquire by gift or by taking of eminent domain in fee simple, the land within the layout of said way accepted thereunder, for the purposes of said way.

ARTICLE 39: Taken out of order by vote before Article 5. ("Quinn Bill")

ARTICLE 40: UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE this Article.  
(To rezone the premises numbered as 7 Brantwood Road from Residential to Business District B.)

ARTICLE 41: UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE this Article.  
(Raise and appropriate \$1,000 to contract with South Shore Women's Center for domestic violence intervention and prevention services to its residents.)

ARTICLE 42: A motion was made by Rosalind Olszak, 48, Norwell Avenue, and seconded. THIS ARTICLE FAILED TO CARRY. (To raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 to complete the Norwell Avenue 1985 planned drainage system.)

ARTICLE 43: A motion was made by Daniel McDevitt, 19, Wildcat Lane, seconded, and the MAJORITY VOTED to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be held under the control of the Town Treasurer to assist in the cost of construction of lighting athletic facilities at Norwell High School, including four (4) tennis courts, basketball court, and the football field/track.

ARTICLE 44: UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE this Article.  
(To raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for the Womensplace Crisis Center in lieu of services provided to sexual assault survivors and their families.)

ARTICLE 45: THIS ARTICLE FAILED TO CARRY. (To amend Article II of the Zoning Bylaws to create an Assisted Living District, as printed in the Warrant.)

Tellers Steve Mott, Herb Heidt, Fred Levin and Bill White were sworn in by the Moderator to count the votes. YES: 122; NO: 78  
2/3 VOTE REQUIRED. FAILED TO CARRY.

After Article 48, a motion to RECONSIDER ARTICLE 45 was made by George Williams, MAJORITY VOTED to allow Reconsideration.

ARTICLE 45: THIS ARTICLE AGAIN FAILED TO CARRY. 2/3 VOTE REQUIRED.  
YES: 104; NO: 70

ARTICLE 15: A motion was made by Herb Heidt, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, seconded, and the MAJORITY

VOTED to raise and appropriate \$22,000.00 to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission for the removal of weeds at Jacobs Pond.

ARTICLE 46: A motion was made by Gerard Gomez, 26 Ridge Hill Road, and seconded. THIS ARTICLE FAILED TO CARRY. (To install a pedestrian-activated traffic light on High Street.)

ARTICLE 47: THIS ARTICLE FAILED TO CARRY. (To appropriate \$20,000.00 to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Drainage Study Committee and the Highway Surveyor for engineering installation and/or maintenance of Town drainage.)

ARTICLE 48: A motion was made by Donald R. Leclair, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, seconded, and the MAJORITY VOTED to transfer from available funds the sum of \$375,000.00 and authorize the Assessors to use this sum to decrease the tax rate for FY 1998.

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO TOWN OFFICIALS:

INSTRUCTION NO. 1: MAJORITY VOTED to instruct the Planning Board to return to the next Annual Town Meeting with an article proposing a comprehensive, long range master plan for the Town of Norwell.

Steve Ivas, 315 Winter Street

INSTRUCTION NO. 2: MAJORITY VOTED to instruct the Government Study Committee to review the feasibility of changing the Recreation Commission to a "PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION", in order to plan and maintain athletic fields (three members).

Paul Crowley, 4 Bowker Street

INSTRUCTION NO. 3: MAJORITY VOTED that the Moderator draft an article that will instruct the Board of Selectmen, Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board to form a Special Committee to study changing the zoning bylaws of Norwell to allow USE VARIANCE to enable us to have assisted housing without changing zoning.

William Bernardi, 97 River Street

#4. MAJORITY VOTED that the Board of Selectmen be instructed to form a Wireless Communications Facilities Study Committee; said committee to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen and to Planning Board to consist of seven (7) members, one (1) member from the Planning Board,



Zoning Board of Appeals, and Conservation Commission, and four (4) at-large members; said committee is directed and authorized to meet and to develop a bylaw for the Town relative to wireless communications facilities of any nature and to report as requested to the Board of Selectmen and to the next Annual or Special Town Meeting; or take any action relative thereto.

Sally Turner, 50 Turner's Way

**INSTRUCTION NO. 5: MAJORITY VOTED** to instruct the Board of Selectmen to take all action necessary to pursue the remedies for recovery on behalf of the Town of Norwell as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 111F, relative to the paid leave granted to Police Officer Belinda Johnson.

Joseph M. Burke, 10 Summer Street

**FISH RIGHTS:**

#1: \$100.00 - Robert Virta, 18 Oak Street

#2: \$ 85.00 - William Shanley, Jr., 19  
Roubound Rd.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to dissolve this Town Meeting, at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice M. Lawson, Town Clerk

**TOWN CLERK'S CERTIFICATION  
OF  
ARTICLES  
OF  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 5, 6, AND 8, 1997**

ITEM NO:	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>2 - ACCOUNTING</b>			
2-115 Salaries	\$89,399.00		
2-202 Expenses	<u>13,335.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 2</b>	<b>\$102,734.00</b>	
<b>3 - SELECTMEN</b>			
2-101 Bd. Members Salaries	2,200.00		
2-102 Executive Secretary Salary	60,600.00		
2-103 Clerical Salaries/ADA	54,240.00		
2-200 Court Judgment	—		
2-201 Selectmen's Expenses	9,200.00		
2-205 Care Veterans' Graves	<u>1,200.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 3</b>	<b>\$127,440.00</b>	
<b>6 - BEAUTIFICATION</b>			
2-204 Expenses	<u>1,800.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 6</b>	<b>1,800.00</b>	
<b>7 - HOUSING PARTNERSHIP</b>			
2-122 Housing Clerical	1.00		
2-297 Housing Expenses	<u>1.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 7</b>	<b>2.00</b>	
<b>8 - COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES (formerly HANDICAPPED COMM.)</b>			
2-294 General Expenses	<u>3,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 8</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	
<b>9 - MODERATOR</b>			
2-104 Moderator's Expenses	<u>1.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 9</b>	<b>1.00</b>	
<b>10 - CUSHING MEMORIAL</b>			
2-175 Cushing Memorial Payroll	\$19,716.00		
2-203 Cushing Memorial Expenses	<u>20,500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 10</b>	<b>\$40,216.00</b>	



ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>11 - ADVISORY BOARD</b>			
2-105 Advisory Board Clerical	\$4,000.00		
2-206 Advisory Board Expenses	<u>500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 11</b>	<b>\$4,500.00</b>	
<b>12 - CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE</b>			
2-217 Expenses	<u>1.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 12</b>	<b>1.00</b>	
<b>13 - RESERVE FUND</b>			
2-207 Reserve Fund	<u>225,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 13</b>	<b>\$ 225,000.00</b>	
<b>15 - TOWN MEETING AND ELECTIONS</b>			
2-106 Salaries	\$10,900.00		
2-208 Expenses	<u>5,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 15</b>	<b>\$15,900.00</b>	
<b>17 - BOARD OF REGISTRARS</b>			
2-107 Clerk of Board Salary	320.00		
2-108 Registrars' Clerical	11,219.00		
2-209 Registrars' Expenses	<u>3,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 17</b>	<b>\$14,539.00</b>	
<b>19 - TOWN REPORTS</b>			
2-210 Town Reports	<u>9,500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 19</b>	<b>\$9,500.00</b>	
<b>29 - ASSESSORS</b>			
2-109 Board Members Salaries	4,150.00		
2-110 Clerical Salaries	75,139.00		<b>Held/Voted</b>
2-211 General Expenses	10,040.00		<b>Hold Withdrawn</b>
2-212 Reval./App. Expenses	<u>13,900.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 29</b>	<b>\$103,229.00</b>	
<b>35 - TREASURER/COLLECTOR</b>			
2-111 Treasurer/Collector Salary	\$55,287.00		
2-112 Clerical Salaries	91,373.00		
2-213 General Expenses	62,900.00		
2-214 Tax Lien Expenses	<u>13,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 35</b>	<b>\$222,560.00</b>	

ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>39 - TOWN CLERK</b>			
2-113 Town Clerk Salary	\$41,200.00		
2-114 Clerical Salaries	31,821.00		
2-215 General Expenses	<u>2,500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 3</b>	<b>\$75,521.00</b>	
<b>45 - LEGAL SERVICES</b>			
2-216 Legal Expenses	\$61,000.00	Held/Voted	
2-218 Settlements/Claims	1.00	Held/Voted	
2-295 Union Negotiations	<u>0.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 45</b>	<b>\$61,001.00</b>	
<b>47 - PERSONNEL BOARD</b>			
2-219 General Expenses	<u>500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 47</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	
<b>48 - DESIGN REVIEW BOARD</b>			
2-118 Clerical	\$623.00		
2-220 General Expenses	<u>245.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 48</b>	<b>\$868.00</b>	
<b>49 -DEVELOPMENT &amp; INDUSTRIAL COMM.</b>			
2-118 Clerical	1.00		
2-221 General Expenses	<u>1.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 49</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>	
<b>51 - CENTRAL COMPUTER</b>			
2-222 Central Computer Expenses	<u>34,200.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 51</b>	<b>34,200.00</b>	
<b>61 - BOARD OF APPEALS</b>			
2-223 General Expenses	<u>3,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 61</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	
<b>63 - PLANNING BOARD</b>			
2-120 Planning Board Clerical	\$21,658.00		
2-121 Planning Work Supervisor	—		
2-224 Planning Board General Expenses	<u>3,300.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 63</b>	<b>\$24,958.00</b>	



ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>65 - TOWN HALL</b>			
2-123 Custodians' Salaries	24,018.00		
2-226 Town Hall General Expenses	<u>76,500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 65</b>	<b>\$100,518.00</b>	
<b>66- PERMANENT BUILDING &amp; MAINT. COMM</b>			
2-169 Clerical Salaries			
2-225 PBMC General Expenses	<u>3,800.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 66</b>	<b>\$3,800.00</b>	
<b>71 - PENSION</b>			
2-227 Plymouth County Retirement Fund	\$469,098.00		
2-228 Non-Contrib. Pensions	<u>720.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 71</b>	<b>\$469,818.00</b>	
<b>75 - UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION</b>			
2-229 Unemployment Compensation	<u>\$5,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 75</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	
<b>77 - GROUP INSURANCE</b>			
2-230 Group Insurance	<u>\$919,000.00</u>		<b>REVISED/HANDOUT</b>
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 77</b>	<b>\$919,000.00</b>	
<b>81 - TOWN INSURANCE</b>			
2-231 Town Insurance	157,362.00		
2-232 Ins. Advis. Comm. Expenses	<u>200.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 81</b>	<b>157,562.00</b>	
<b>91 - GOVERNMENT STUDY COMM.</b>			
2-124 Government Study Clerical	<u>1.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 91</b>	<b>1.00</b>	
<b>92 - GROUNDWATER</b>			
2-234 Groundwater General Expenses	<u>1.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 92</b>	<b>1.00</b>	
<b>94 - DRAINAGE COMMITTEE</b>			
2-170 Drainage Clerical	500.00		
2-171 Drainage Expenses	<u>500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 94</b>	<b><u>\$1,000.00</u></b>	
<hr/>			
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$2,727,172.00</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>

ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>101 -POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>			
2-125 Police Chief's Salary	\$ 65,420.00		
2-126 Police Officers' Payroll	975,505.00	Held/Voted	
2-128 Police Other Payroll	30,327.00	Held/Voted	
2-169 Clerical	27,509.00		
2-235 Police General Expenses	85,100.00		
2-236 Police Cruiser Expenses	91,897.00	Held/Voted	
2-237 Other Town Vehicles Gas	<u>1.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 101</b>	<b>\$1,275,759.00</b>	
<b>103 - FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>			
2-129 Fire Chief's Salary	\$57,575.00		
2-130 Perm. Firefighters' Payroll	589,179.00		
2-169 Fire Department Clerical	26,212.00		
2-238 Fire Dept. General Expense	<u>59,450.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 103</b>	<b>\$ 732,416.00</b>	
<b>104 - CALL FIRE FIGHTERS</b>			
2-131 - Deputy Fire Chief	4,635.00		
2-132 Call Fire Payroll	77,696.00		
2-240 Call Fire General Expenses	<u>13,500.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 104</b>	<b>\$95,831.00</b>	
<b>105 - AMBULANCE SERVICE</b>			
2-133 Ambulance Payroll	\$61,502.00		
2-241 Ambulance General Exp.	17,545.00		
2-242 Unmanned Ambulance Exp.	<u>1,250.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 105</b>	<b>\$80,297.00</b>	
<b>107 - EMERGENCY COMM.</b>			
2-134 Emergency Comm . Payroll	\$257,242.00	Held/Voted	
2-243 Emergency Comm. Expense	<u>\$29,050.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 107</b>	<b>\$286,292.00</b>	
<b>109 - TREE AND GROUNDS</b>			
2-135 Tree Director's Salary	\$29,125.00		
2-136 Tree Dept. Payrolls	97,257.00		
2-244 General Expenses	44,894.00	Held/Voted	
2-245 Tree Insect Control	1,000.00		
2-248 Tree Cemetery Care	<u>33,273.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 109</b>	<b>\$205,549.00</b>	



ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>113 - BUILDING INSPECTOR</b>			
2-138 Building/Zoning Clerical	\$23,582.00		
2-139 Building/Zoning/ ADA Inspector	47,828.00		
2-140 Inspector Fees	21,592.00		
2-249 General Expenses	<u>8,237.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 113</b>	<b>\$101,239.00</b>	
<b>119 - SEALER WEIGHTS/MEASURES</b>			
2-142 Sealer Weights/Measures Salary	\$1,295.00		
2-252 General Expenses	<u>160.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 119</b>	<b>\$1,455.00</b>	
<b>131 - CIVIL DEFENSE</b>			
2-254 Civil Defense General Exp.	<u>\$400.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 131</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>	
<b>133 - ANIMAL CONTROL</b>			
2-144 Animal Control Payroll	\$15,507.00		
2-255 General Expenses	<u>7,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 133</b>	<b>\$22,507.00</b>	
<b>147 - TRAFFIC STUDY COMM.</b>			
2-174 Traffic Study Comm. Expenses	<u>200.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 147</b>	<b>200.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY ITEMS</b>	<u><b>\$2,801,945.00</b></u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
<b>200 - SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</b>			
2-200 School Budget	\$11,576,718.00	<b>Held/Amended</b>	
2-198 Transportation	—	<b>Held</b>	
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 200</b>	<b>\$11,576,718.00</b>	
<b>201 - SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL SCHOOL</b>			
2-264 Regional School Assessment	<u>\$93,355.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 201</b>	<b>\$93,355.00</b>	

ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>300 - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>			
2-146 Highway Surveyor's Salary	29,125.00		
2-147 Highway Dept. Payrolls	169,210.00		
2-149 Highway Department Clerical	27,508.00		
2-265 Highway Out of State Travel	1.00		
2-266 Highway General Expenses	48,700.00		
2-267 Highway Signs and Road Markings	31,400.00		
2-268 Snow Removal and Sanding	117,600.00		
2-269 Operation and Maintenance of Equipment	23,200.00		
2-270 Highway Town Gasoline	33,000.00		
2-271 Highway Water Services	<u>5,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 300</b>	<b>\$ 484,744.00</b>	
<b>307 - STREET LIGHTING</b>			
2-272 Street Lights Expense	<u>\$55,888.00</u>	Held/Voted	
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 307</b>	<b>\$55,888.00</b>	
<b>401 - WATER DEPARTMENT</b>			
2-148 Superintendent	\$51,313.00	WD REVENUE	
2-151 Water Commissioners' Salary	2,100.00	WD REVENUE	
2-152 Water Clerical	46,595.00	WD REVENUE	
2-153 Water Payrolls	149,534.00	WD REVENUE	
2-274 Water General Expenses	272,054.00	WD REVENUE	
2-275 Water Well Cleaning	<u>      </u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 401</b>	<b>\$521,596.00</b>	<b>WD REVENUE</b>
<b>485 - MASS. HISTORICAL COMMISSION</b>			
2-277 Historical Comm. General Expenses	<u>\$4,200.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 485</b>	<b>\$4,200.00</b>	
<b>487 - CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>			
2-154 Conservation Clerical	8,311.00		
2-155 Conservation Agent's Salary	25,729.00		
2-278 Conservation General Expenses	4,550.00		
2-280 Conservation Fund	<u>      </u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 487</b>	<b>\$38,590.00</b>	
<b>501 - BOARD OF HEALTH</b>			
2-156 Board Members' Salaries	1,050.00		
2-157 Health Agent Salary	44,323.00		
2-158 Health Clerical	28,908.00		
2-279 Hazardous Waste	10,000.00		
2-281 General Expenses	27,125.00		
2-282 Solid Waste Disposal	339,600.00		
2-283 Health Landfill Maintenance	<u>4,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 501</b>	<b>\$455,006.00</b>	



ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>531 - COUNCIL ON AGING</b>			
2-160 Council on Aging Payroll	\$82,735.00		
2-284 General Expenses	<u>10,025.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 531</b>	<b>\$92,760.00</b>	
<b>551 - VETERANS EXP.</b>			
2-161 Veterans Agent's Salary	2,074.00		
2-162 Veterans Service Officer's Salary	2,748.00		
2-285 Veterans' General Expenses	200.00		
2-286 Veterans' Benefits	5,500.00		
2-287 Memorial Day Expenses	<u>800.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 551</b>	<b>\$11,322.00</b>	
<b>571 - TOWN CEMETERY</b>			
2-288 Washington St. Cem. Expenses	<u>\$3,000.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 571</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	
<b>601 - LIBRARY</b>			
2-164 Library Director's Salary	\$51,320.00		
2-165 Library Payroll	\$180,000.00	<b>Held/Voted</b>	
2-177 Computer Expenses	14,750.00		
2-289 Library General Expenses	<u>92,810.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 601</b>	<b>\$338,880.00</b>	
<b>621 - RECREATION DEPARTMENT</b>			
2-166 Recreation Supt. Salary	\$47,525.00		
2-167 Recreation Payroll	33,070.00		
2-290 Recreation General Expenses	<u>7,072.00</u>		
	<b>TOTAL ITEM 621</b>	<b>\$87,667.00</b>	
<b>700 - DEBT SERVICE</b>			
2-292 Principal - Town	\$498,000.00		
Water		\$70,000.00	<b>WD SURPLUS</b>
Water		<u>\$315,000.00</u>	<b>WD REV.</b>
<b>FUND</b>			
	<b>TOTAL PRINCIPAL</b>	<b>\$883,000.00</b>	
2-293 Interest - Town	\$148,412.50		
Water		\$146,207.50	<b>WD REV.</b>
<b>FUND</b>			
<b>REV. FUND</b>			
2-168 Bonding Costs		\$35,000.00	<u>1.00</u> <b>WD</b>
Temporary Bonds - Town	\$96,700.00		
Water			<b>WD REV.</b>
<b>FUND</b>			
	<b>TOTAL INTEREST</b>	<b><u>\$778,112.50</u></b>	<b><u>\$531,208.50</u></b>
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b><u>\$1,309,321.00</u></b>		
<b>GRAND TOTALS - ARTICLE 2-FUND</b>	<b>\$19,549,359.50</b>	<b>\$982,804.50</b>	<b>WD REV.</b>

**GRAND TOTALS ARTICLE 2 - (Continued)****FREE CASH: \$375,000.00 - (SEE ART. 48)****WD SURPLUS: 70,000.00****WD REVENUE: \$982,804.50**

<b>ITEM NO.</b>	<b>RAISE/APPROPR.</b>	<b>TRANSFER</b>	<b>ACCOUNT</b>
<b>ARTICLE 3:</b>			
Dept. 300, Highway, Underground Fuel Tanks		80,000.00	
Yr 4 Truck Lease	40,000.00		
Yr 3 Street Sweeper Lease	27,500.00		
Dept. 401, Water, New Vehicle		\$19,900.00	WD REV. FUND
Dept. 65, Town Hall, Pave Parking Lot	30,000.00		
Dept. 200, Schools, Instructional Technology	75,000.00		
Cole School Dishwasher	7,500.00		
Dept. 101, Police, Pave Parking Lot	12,000.00		
Breathalyzer	<u>6,700.00</u>		
<b>TOTAL ARTICLE 3</b>	<b>\$278,700.00</b>	<b>\$19,900.00</b>	
<b>ARTICLE 4: Adjust Compensation Schedule under Personnel Bylaw by general increase of 2.5% for Grades 14 - 16 only include unclassified positions, effect. July 1, 1997 amounting to \$6,596.00 and fund recommended upgrades for Grades 1 - 13 amount- to \$23,710.00</b>		<b>\$30,306.00</b>	
<b>ARTICLE 5: Meet the financial obligations of Union Contracts and a personal contract and to be apportioned by the Town Accountant to the applicable Line Items in Article 2.</b>		<b>\$ 83,000.00</b>	
Police Chief - 3.5%	2,290.00		
Police/Quinn Bill	58,059.00		
Call Fire Fighters - 3%	2,125.00		
AFSCME, 3.5%	20,231.00		
<b>ARTICLE 6: Approved new Classification Plan for Non-Union employees effective July 1, 1997</b>		<b>SEE ARTICLE 4</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>ARTICLE 7: Amend Personnel Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Article XVIII, Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan.</b>		<b>SEE ARTICLE 4</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>ARTICLE 8: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.</b> (To amend Personnel Bylaw by adding a new section entitled "Bonus Performance Evaluation Plan")		<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>ARTICLE 9: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.</b> (Repairs to Bridge St./Union St. Bridge.)		<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>



ITEM NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
ARTICLE 10: To resurface sections of Town Ways		\$150,000.00	
ARTICLE 11: Improvements and Maintenance of Gaffield Park.	\$800.00		
ARTICLE 12: To inspect two (2) water storage facilities and remove accumulated sediments, under direction of Board of Water Commissioners		\$10,000.00	WD SURPLUS REV.
ARTICLE NO. 13: Well Exploration and associated work, under direction of Board of Water Commissioners		\$35,000.00	WD SURPLUS REV.
ARTICLE NO. 14: Payment of indirect expenses compensating various Town Departments which fund and provide services to the Water Departme nt during the fiscal year, under direction of Water Commissioners		\$85,000.00	WD SURPLUS REV.
ARTICLE NO. 15: To remove weeds at Jacobs Pond under the direction of the Conservation Commission		\$22,000.00	
ARTICLE NO. 16: To conduct a Facility Audit and Long Range Educational Master Plan under direction of School Committee		\$100,000.00	
ARTICLE NO. 17: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (To replace the existing High School Waste Water Treatment Plant.)	—	—	
ARTICLE NO. 18: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (Implement a Preventative Maintenance Program  under direction of the School Committee)		—	—
ARTICLE NO. 19: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (To create revolving accounts for all recognized school purposes)	—	—	
ARTICLE NO. 20: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (To create revolving accounts for lost test books and industrial arts supplies)		—	—
ARTICLE NO. 21: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (To create revolving accounts for receipts of gifts, grants, funds subventions or subsidies for educational purposes)	—	—	

ARTICLE NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
<b>ARTICLE NO. 22: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED</b> (To create revolving accounts for purposes of recovering compensation for work performed by any Town employee while off duty which is related to the regular employment for special detail work which is not related to their employment)			
	—	—	
<b>ARTICLE NO. 23: For educational purposes to develop a long range plan, under the direction of the Planning Board</b>			
	\$500.00		
<b>ARTICLE NO. 24: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED</b> (To amend Zoning Bylaws re Lot Width, Frontage, Required Setback line.)			
		—	—
<b>ARTICLE NO. 25: To place a MORATORIUM on the erection, construction, or extension of all structures covered by Section 2460 and 2461 of the Zoning Bylaws. This moratorium shall be effective in all zoning districts of the Town, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY, for a period of six months until October 5, 1997.....)</b>			
	—	—	
<b>ARTICLE NO. 26: Cost of architectural and engineering services for plans and specifications for a new fire station, including all documents necessary to seek bids with respect to the construction thereof.)</b>			
<b>ARTICLE NO. 27: To Transfer approx. two acres of land located on the southwesterly side of Washington St. presently under the control of the Board of Water Commissioners to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of construction of a new Fire Station....)</b>			
<b>STABIL. FUND</b>		—	\$106,000.00
<b>ARTICLE NO. 28: To provide for a Senior Real Estate Tax Credit</b>			
	\$10,000.00	—	
<b>ARTICLE NO. 29: To implement the recommendations of the Computer Study Committee.</b>			
		\$50,000.00	—
<b>ARTICLE NO. 30: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED</b> (To instruct the Government Study Committee to review the Town's current form of government and report back no later than 1999 Annual Town Meeting)			
		—	—
<b>ARTICLE NO. 31: To accept the provisions of MGL Ch. 59, Section 5, which allows the maximum qualifying gross receipts amount found in Clause 41A (\$40,000.00)</b>			
		—	—



ARTICLE NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
ARTICLE NO. 32: To establish the following revolving fund for the purpose of receiving fees and making disbursements in connection with the authorized duties of the Board of Health for the Recycling/Composting Program. (\$2,000.00)		—	—
ARTICLE NO. 33: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (For planning, maintenance and materials of all athletic fields within the Town of Norwell, under the directions of the Director of Lands and Natural Resources)	—	—	
ARTICLE NO. 34: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (To survey boundaries of Recreation Commission land, approximately twenty acres at Stetson Meadows)		—	----
ARTICLE NO. 35: To form a five member Pool Study Committee with one member from the Recreation Commission, one member from the School Committee and three at-large members, to study the feasibility of a pool facility.	—	—	
ARTICLE NO. 36: To repair, improve, and replace equipment and surfacing at the Reynolds Playground on Prouty Avenue, to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Commission		\$4,000.00	
ARTICLE NO. 37: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (To hire a landscape architect, architect engineering firm to develop a master plan for repairs, improvements and design facilities on the recreational properties under Recreation Commission management.....)		— —	
ARTICLE NO. 38: To accept Stanley Road as a Public Way		—	—
ARTICLE NO. 39: To accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 108L of the MGL, entitled "Career Incentive Program:, more commonly know as the "QUINN BILL"		See Article 5	
ARTICLE NO. 40: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (To rezone the premises at 7 Brantwood Road from Residential B to Business B)		—	—
ARTICLE NO. 41: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (\$1,000.00 to contract with South Shore Women's Center for domestic violence intervention and prevention services to its residents)	—	—	

ARTICLE NO.	RAISE/APPROPR.	TRANSFER	ACCOUNT
-------------	----------------	----------	---------

ARTICLE NO. 42: FAILED TO CARRY (To complete the Norwell Avenue 1985 planned drainage system currently only partially built to correct flooding problems.)      —      —

ARTICLE NO. 43: To assist in the cost of construction of lighting athletic facilities at Norwell High School including four tennis courts, basket ball court, and the football field/track.      \$15,000.00

ARTICLE NO. 44: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED (\$2,500.00 for the Womensplace Crisis Center in lieu of services provided to sexual assault survivors and their families.)      —      —

ARTICLE NO. 45: FAILED TO CARRY — (To amend Article II of the Zoning Bylaws to create an ASSISTED LIVING DISTRICT as printed in the warrant.)      —

ARTICLE NO. 46: FAILED TO CARRY — (To install a pedestrian-activated traffic light on High St.)      —

ARTICLE NO. 47: FAILED TO CARRY — (\$20,000.00 to be expended under the Permanent Drainage Study Committee and the Highway Surveyor for engineering, installation and/or maintenance of Town drainage.)      —

ARTICLE NO. 48: To Authorize the Board of Assess. \$375,000.00  
FREE CASH  
to use this sum to decrease the tax rate for FY 1998.

TOTAL ARTICLE 3 THROUGH ARTICLE 48 (R&A)		\$744,306.00
FREE CASH:	375,000.00	
STABILIZATION FUND:	\$106,000.00	
WATER DEPT. SURPLUS:	\$130,000.00	
WATER DEPT. REVENUE:	\$ 19,900.00	

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

Janice M. Lawson, Town Clerk

cc: Carol Amado, Town Accountant  
Advisory Board  
Board of Assessors  
Board of Selectmen  
Patricia Crowley, Treasurer/Collector  
Town Moderator



TOWN OF NORWELL

WARRANT

Special Town Meeting, Monday, December 8, 1997

at 7:30 o'clock in the evening at Goldman Junior High School

Plymouth SS: To one of the Constables of the Town of Norwell, in said County of Plymouth, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Norwell, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet at the Goldman Junior High School Gymnasium, 344 Main Street in said Norwell, on Monday, the Eighth day December, 1997, at 7:30 PM. In case all the articles in the foregoing Warrant shall not be acted upon at the Meeting called for on Monday, December 8, 1997, to meet in ADJOURNED SESSIONS at the Norwell Goldman Junior High School, 344 Main Street, at such time and place as the meeting shall determine.

**ARTICLE 1** - To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Bylaws to include:

**4600. Personal Wireless Service Facilities**

4610. Purpose and Intent. It is the express purpose of this bylaw to minimize the visual and environmental impacts of personal wireless service facilities, consistent with the provisions of Sections 253 and 704 of the Federal Telecommunications act of 1996. The Bylaw enables the review and approval of personal wireless service facilities by the Town's Zoning Board of Appeals in keeping with existing bylaws and historic development patterns. It sets standards which are intended to preserve the safety, character, appearance, property values, natural resources and historic sites of the Town; mitigate any adverse visual effects through proper design, location and screening of structures; and to encourage co-location of antennas where feasible in order to minimize the total number of sites required.

4611. Scope. Section 4600 shall apply to all wireless telecommunications antennas and towers and related equipment, fixtures and enclosures, including any modifications to any of the preceding, but shall not apply to fire, police, ambulance and other safety communications antennas, amateur (ham) radio or citizens band radio antennas, or to non-transmitting television antennas.

4620. District Regulations.

4621. Use Regulations. A personal wireless service facility shall require a building permit in all cases, and may be permitted as follows:

- a) A personal wireless service facility may locate on any existing guyed tower, lattice tower, monopole, electric utility transmission tower, fire

tower or water tower, provided that the installation of the new facility does not increase the height of the existing structure except as provided in Section 4623(b) below. Such installations shall not require a Special Permit but shall require site plan approval by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

b) A personal wireless service facility involving construction of one or more ground or building (roof or side) mounts shall require a Special Permit. Such facilities may locate by Special Permit in all zoning districts within the Town, provided that the proposed use complies with the height and setback requirements of Section 4623 and all of the Special Permit Regulations set forth in Section 4630 of this Bylaw.

c) A personal wireless service facility that exceeds the height restrictions of Sections 4623 (a)-(c) may be permitted by Special Permit in a designated Wireless Service Overlay District provided that the proposed facility complies with the height restrictions of Section 4623 (d), and with all of the setback and Special Permit Regulations set forth in sections 4623 and 4630 of this Bylaw.

4622. Location. Applicants seeking approval for personal wireless service facilities shall comply with the following:

- a) If feasible, personal wireless service facilities shall be located on existing structures, including but not limited

to buildings, water towers, existing telecommunications facilities, utility poles and towers and related facilities, provided that such installation preserves the character and integrity of those structures. In particular, applicants are urged to consider use of existing telephone and electric utility structures as sites for one or more personal wireless service facilities. The applicant shall have the burden of proving that there are no feasible existing structures upon which to locate.

- b) If the applicant demonstrates that it is not feasible to locate on an existing structure, personal wireless service facilities shall be designed so as to be camouflaged to the greatest extent possible, including but not limited to: use of compatible building materials and colors, screening, landscaping and placement within trees to create an effective year round visual buffer.
- c) The applicant shall submit documentation of the legal right to install and use the proposed facility at the time of application for a building and/or Special Permit.

4623. Dimensional Requirements. Personal wireless facilities shall comply with the following requirements:

- a) Height, General. The height of a personal wireless service facility shall not exceed by more than ten feet the height limits of the zoning district in which the facility is proposed to be located, unless the facility is

completely camouflaged such as within a flagpole, steeple, chimney or similar structure. Personal wireless service facilities may locate on a building that is legally non-conforming with respect to height, provided that the facilities do not project above the existing building height.

- b) Height, Existing Structures. New antennas located on any of the following structures existing on the effective date of this bylaw shall be exempt from the height restrictions of this bylaw: Water towers, guyed towers, lattice towers, fire towers and monopoles, provided that

- 1) location on existing water towers will be subject to approval of the proposed attachment methods and maintenance procedures by the Water Department and Board of Health.
- 2) there is no increase in height of the existing structure as a result of the installation of a personal wireless service facility.

- c) Height, Existing Structure, (Utility). New antennas located on any of the following existing structures shall be exempt from the height restrictions of this bylaw provided that there is no more than a twenty foot (20') increase in the height of the existing structure as a result of the installation of a personal wireless service facility:



electric transmission and distribution towers, telephone poles and similar existing utility structures. This exemption shall not apply in Historic Districts, within 150 feet of the right-of way of any scenic roadway, or in designated scenic viewsheds.

- d) Height, Wireless Facility Overlay Districts. Within the Wireless Facility Overlay District (as designated on the town zoning map), personal wireless service facilities of up to 150 feet are permitted by Special Permit. These taller structures shall be of non-guyed design, and shall comply with all setback and Special Permit Regulations set forth in this Bylaw.
- e) Setbacks. All personal wireless service facilities and their equipment shelters shall comply with the building setback provisions of the zoning district in which the facility is located. In addition, the following setbacks shall be observed:
  - 1) The minimum distance from the base of any ground-mounted personal wireless service facility to any property line, public way, habitable dwelling, shall be three(3) times the height of the facility/mount, including any antennas or other appurtenances.
  - 2) In the event that an existing structure is proposed as a mount for a personal wireless service facility, the setback

provisions of the underlying zoning district shall apply. In the case of pre-existing non-conforming structures, personal wireless service facilities and their equipment shelters shall not increase any non-conformities, except as provided in 4623(e)(3) below.

- 3) Flexibility. In reviewing a Special Permit application for a personal wireless service facility, the Zoning Board of Appeals may reduce the setback by as much as 2/3 of the required distance, if it finds that a substantially better design will result from such reduction. In making such a finding, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall consider both the visual and safety impacts of the proposed use.

4630. Special Permit Regulations. All personal wireless service facilities shall comply with the Performance Standards set forth in this section.

4631. Design Standards.

- a) Visibility/Camouflage. Personal wireless service facilities shall be camouflaged as follows:
  - 1) Camouflage by Existing Buildings or Structures:
    - i) When a personal wireless service facility extends

above the roof height of a building on which it is mounted, every reasonable effort shall be made to conceal the facility within or behind existing architectural features to limit its visibility from public ways. Facilities mounted on a roof shall be stepped back from the front facade in order to limit their impact on the building's silhouette.

- ii) Personal wireless service facilities which are side mounted shall blend with the existing building's architecture and, if over 5 square feet, shall be painted or shielded with material which is consistent with the design features and materials of the building.

2) Color.

- i) Personal wireless service facilities which are side-mounted on

buildings shall be painted or constructed of materials to match the color of the building material directly behind them.

- ii) To the extent that any personal wireless service facilities extend above the height of the vegetation immediately surrounding them, they shall be painted in a light gray or light blue hue which blends with sky and clouds.

- b) Equipment Shelters. Equipment shelters for personal wireless service facilities shall be designed consistent with one of the following design standards:

- 1) Equipment shelters shall be located in underground vaults; or
- 2) Equipment shelters shall be designed to be consistent with the architectural styles, materials and roof design typical of the district in which the facility is located; or
- 3) Equipment shelters shall be camouflaged behind an effective year-round landscape buffer and /or

wooden fence, equal to the height of the proposed building. The Zoning Board of Appeals shall determine the style of fencing and/or landscape buffer that is compatible with the neighborhood.

c) Lighting and Signs

- 1) Personal wireless facilities shall be lighted only if required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Lighting of equipment structures and any other facilities on site shall be shielded from abutting properties. There shall be total cutoff of all light at the property lines of the property to be developed, and footcandle measurements at the property line shall be 0.0 initial foot candles when measured at grade.
- 2) Signs shall be limited to those needed to identify the property and the owner and warn of any danger. All such signs shall comply with the requirements of Section 3300 of these Bylaws.

d) Historic Buildings and Districts

- 1) Any personal wireless service facilities located on or within an historic structure shall not alter the character-defining features, distinctive

construction methods or original historic materials of the building.

- 2) Any alteration made to an historic structure to accommodate a personal wireless service facility shall be fully reversible.
- 3) Personal wireless service facilities within an historic district shall be concealed within or behind existing architectural features, or shall be located so that they are not visible from public roads and viewing areas within the district.

e) Scenic Landscapes and Vistas

- 1) Equipment shelters shall not be located within open areas that are visible from public roads or residential development. As required in the Section 4631 (a), all ground-mounted equipment shelters which are not camouflaged by existing buildings or structures shall be surrounded by a buffer of dense tree growth.
- 2) Any personal wireless service facility that is located within 300 feet of a scenic vista, scenic landscape or scenic road as designated by the town shall not exceed the height of vegetation at the proposed location. If the



facility is located farther than 300 feet from the scenic vista, scenic landscape or scenic road, the height regulations described elsewhere in this bylaw will apply.

4632. Environmental Standards.

- a) Personal wireless service facilities shall not be located in wetlands. Locating of wireless facilities in wetland buffer areas shall be avoided whenever possible and disturbance to wetland buffer areas shall be minimized.
- b) No hazardous waste shall be discharged on the site of any personal wireless service facility. If any hazardous materials are to be used on site, there shall be provisions for full containment of such materials. An enclosed containment area shall be provided with a sealed floor, designed to contain at least 110% of the volume of the hazardous materials stored or used on the site.
- c) Storm water run-off shall be contained on-site.
- d) Ground-mounted equipment for personal wireless service facilities shall not generate noise in excess of 50 db at the property line.
- e) Roof-mounted or side-mounted equipment for personal wireless service facilities shall not generate noise in excess of 50 db at ground level at the base of the building closest to the antenna.

4633. Safety Standards.

- a) Radiofrequency Radiation (RFR) Standards. All equipment proposed for a personal wireless service facility shall be authorized per the FCC *Guidelines for Evaluating the Environmental Effects of Radiofrequency Radiation*.

- b) All ground mounted personal wireless service facilities shall be surrounded by a security barrier.

4640. Application Procedures.

4641. Special Permit Granting Authority. The Special Permit Granting Authority for personal wireless service facilities shall be the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

4642. Site Plan Approval. Applications require approval of a site plan consistent with section 1500 except that such approval is required in all districts.

4643. Application Filing Requirements. The following shall be included with an application for a Special Permit for all personal wireless service facilities.

- a) General Filing Requirements
  - 1) Name, address and telephone number of applicants and any co-applicants as well as any agents for the applicants or co-applicants.
  - 2) Co-applicants may include the landowner of the subject property, licensed carriers and tenants for the personal wireless service facility.
  - 3) A licensed carrier shall either be an applicant or a co-applicant.
  - 4) Original signatures for the

applicant and all co-applicants applying of the Special Permit. Ir the applicant or co-applicant will be represented by an agent, original signature authorizing the agent to represent the applicant and/or co-applicant. Photo reproductions of signatures will not be accepted.

b) Location Filing Requirements

- 1) Identify the subject property by including the Town as well as the name of the locality, name of nearest roads or roads and street address, if any.
- 2) Tax map and parcel number of subject property.
- 3) Zoning district designation for the subject parcel. (Submit copy of Town zoning map with parcel identified)
- 4) A line map to scale showing the lot lines of the subject property and the location of all buildings, including accessory structures, on all properties shown within 300 feet of the proposed wireless facility.
- 5) The proposed locations of all existing and future personal wireless service facilities in the Town on a Town-wide map for this carrier.

c) Siting filing Requirements

- 1) A one-inch-equals-40 feet vicinity plan showing the following:
  - i) Property lines for the subject property.
  - ii) Property lines of all properties adjacent to the subject property within 300 feet of the property line..
  - iii) Tree cover on the subject property and adjacent properties within 300 feet of the proposed wireless facility, by dominant species and average height, as measured by or available from a verifiable source.
  - iv) Outline of all existing buildings, including purpose (e.g. residential buildings, garages, accessory structures, etc.) on subject property and all adjacent properties within 300 feet of the proposed wireless facility..
  - v) Proposed location of antenna, mount and equipment shelter(s).
  - vi) Proposed security

- barrier, indicating type and extent as well as point of controlled entry.
- vii) Location of all roads, public and private, on the subject property and on all adjacent properties within 300 feet of the proposed wireless facility, including driveways proposed to serve the personal wireless service facility.
  - viii) Distances, at grade, from the proposed personal wireless service facility to each building on the vicinity plan.
  - ix) Contours at each two feet AMSL for the subject property and adjacent properties within 300 feet of the property line..
  - x) All proposed changes to the existing property, including grading, vegetation removal and temporary or permanent roads and driveways.
  - xi) Representations, dimensioned and to scale, of the proposed mount, antennas, equipment shelters, cable runs, parking areas and any other construction or development attendant to the personal wireless service facility.
  - xii) Lines representing the sight line showing viewpoint (point from which view is taken) and visible point (point being viewed from "Sight Lines" subsection below.
- 2) Sight lines and photographs as described below:
- i) Sight line representation. A sight line representation shall be drawn from any public road within 300 feet and the closest facade of each residential building (viewpoint) within 300 feet, to the highest point (visible point) of the personal wireless service facility. Each sight



line shall be depicted in profile, drawn at one inch equals 40 feet. The profiles shall show all intervening trees and buildings. In the event there is only one residential building within 300 feet, there shall be at least two sight lines from the closest habitable structures or public roads, if any.

- ii) Existing (before condition) photographs. Each sight line shall be illustrated by one four-inch by six-inch color photograph of what can currently be seen from any public road within 300 feet of the proposed wireless facility.
- iii) Proposed (after condition). Each of the existing condition photographs shall have the proposed personal wireless service facility superimposed on it

to show what will be seen from public roads if the proposed personal wireless service facility is built.

- 3) Siting elevations, or views at-grade from the north, south, east and west for a 50-foot radius around the proposed personal wireless service facility plus from all existing public and private roads that serve the subject property. Elevations shall be at either one-quarter inch equals one foot or one-eighth inch equals one foot scale and show the following:
  - i) Antennas, mounts and equipment shelter(s), with total elevation dimensions and AGL of the highest point.
  - ii) Security barrier. If the security barrier will block views of the personal wireless service facility, the barrier drawing shall be cut away to show the view behind the barrier.
  - iii) Any and all structures on the subject property.

- iv) Existing trees and shrubs at current height and proposed trees and shrubs at proposed height at time of installation , with approximate elevations dimensioned.
  - v) Grade changes, or cuts and fills, to be shown as original grade and new grade line, with two-foot contours above mean sea level.
- d) Design Filing Requirements
- 1) Equipment brochures for the proposed personal wireless service facility such as manufacturer's specifications or trade journal reprints shall be provided for the antennas, mounts, equipment shelters, cables as well as runs and security barrier if any.
  - 2) Materials of the proposed personal wireless service facility specified by generic type and specific treatment (e.g., anodized aluminum, stained wood, painted fiberglass etc.). These shall be provided for the antennas, mounts, equipment shelters, cables as well as cable runs and security barrier, if any.
  - 3) Colors of the proposed personal wireless service facility represented by a color board showing actual colors proposed. Colors shall be provided for the antennas, mounts, equipment shelters, cables as well as cable runs, and security barrier, if any.
  - 4) Dimensions of the personal wireless service facility specified for all three directions: height, width and breadth. These shall be provided for the antennas, mounts, equipment shelters and security barrier, if any.
  - 5) Appearance shown by at least two photographic superimpositions of the personal wireless service facility within the subject property. The photographic superimpositions shall be provided for the antennas, mounts, equipment shelters, cables as well as cable runs and security barrier, if any, for the total height, width and breadth.
  - 6) Landscape plan including existing trees and shrubs and those proposed to be added, identified by size of specimen at installation and species.
  - 7) Within 30 days of the pre-application conference, or within 21 days of filing an application for a Special

Permit, the applicant shall arrange for a balloon or crane test at the proposed site to illustrate the height of the proposed facility. The date, time and location of such test shall be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town at least 14 days, but not more than 21 days prior to the test.

- 8) If lighting of the site is proposed, the applicant shall submit a manufacturers computer-generated point-to-point printout, indicating the horizontal foot-candle levels at grade, within the property to be developed and twenty-five (25) feet beyond the property lines. The printout shall indicate the locations and types of luminaire proposed.

- e) Noise Filing Requirements. The applicant shall provide a statement listing the existing and maximum future projected measurements of noise from the proposed personal wireless service facilities, measured in decibels Ldn (logarithmic scale, accounting for greater sensitivity at night), for the following:

- 1) Existing, or ambient: the measurements of existing noise.
- 2) Existing plus proposed personal wireless service

facilities: maximum estimate of noise from the proposed personal wireless service facility plus the existing noise environment.

Such statement shall be certified and signed by an acoustical engineer, stating that noise measurements are accurate and meet the Noise Standards of this Bylaw.

- f) Radiofrequency Radiation (RFR) Filing Requirements. The applicant shall provide a statement listing the existing and maximum future projected measurements of RFR from the proposed personal wireless service facility, for the following situations:

- 1) Existing, or ambient: the measurements of existing RFR.
- 2) Existing plus proposed personal wireless service facilities: estimate of the maximum of RFR from the proposed personal wireless service facility plus the existing RFR environment.
- 3) Certification, signed by an RF engineer stating that RFR measurements are accurate and meet FCC Guidelines as specified in the Radiofrequency Radiation Standards sub-section of this Bylaw.

- g) Federal Environmental Filing Requirements.

- 1) The National Environmental



Policy Act (NEPA) applies to all applications for personal wireless service facilities. NEPA is administered by the FCC via procedures adopted as Subpart 1, Section 1.1301 et seq. (47 CFR Ch. I). The FCC requires that an environmental assessment (EA) be filed with the FCC prior to beginning operations for any personal wireless service facility proposed in or involving any of the following:

- i) Wilderness areas
- ii) Wildlife preserves.
- iii) Endangered species habitat.
- iv) Historical site.
- v) Indian religious site.
- vi) Flood plain.
- vii) Wetlands.
- viii) High intensity white lights in residential neighborhoods.
- ix) Excessive radiofrequency radiation exposure.

- 2) At the time of application filing, an EA that meets FCC requirements shall be submitted to the Town for each personal wireless service facility site that requires such an EA to be submitted to the FCC
- 3) The applicant shall list

location, type and amount (including trace elements) of any materials proposed for use within the personal wireless service facility that are considered hazardous by the federal, state or local government.

- h) The Zoning Board of Appeals may waive one or more of the application filing requirements of this section if it finds that such information is not needed for a thorough review of a proposed personal wireless service facility.

4650. Co-location.

4651. Licensed carriers shall share personal wireless service facilities and sites where feasible and appropriate, thereby reducing the number of personal wireless service facilities that are stand-alone facilities. All applicants for a Special Permit for a personal wireless service facility shall demonstrate a good faith effort to co-locate with other carriers. Such good faith effort includes:

- a) A survey of all existing structures that may be feasible sites for co-locating personal wireless service facilities;
- b) Contact with all the other licensed carriers for commercial mobile radio services operating in the Town; and
- c) Providing information necessary to determine if co-location is feasible under the design configuration most accommodating to co-location.

4652. In the event that co-location is found to be not feasible, a written statement of the reasons for the infeasibility shall be submitted to the

Town. The Town may retain a technical expert in the field of RF engineering to verify if co-location at the site is not feasible or is feasible given the design configuration most accommodating to co-location. The cost for such a technical expert will be at the expense of the applicant. The Town may deny a Special Permit to an applicant that has not demonstrated a good faith effort to provide for co-location.

4653. If the applicant does not intend to co-locate or to permit co-location, the Town shall request drawings and studies which show the ultimate appearance and operation of the personal wireless service facility at full build-out.

4654. If the ZBA approves co-location for a personal wireless service facility site, the Special Permit shall indicate how many facilities of what type shall be permitted on that site. Facilities specified in the Special Permit approval shall require no further zoning approval. However, the addition of any facilities not specified in the approved Special Permit shall require a new Special Permit.

4655. Estimates of RFR emissions will be required for all facilities, including proposed and future facilities.

4660. Modifications. A modification of a personal wireless service facility may be considered equivalent to an application for a new personal wireless service facility and require a Special Permit when the following events apply:

- a) The applicant and/or co-applicant wants to alter the terms of the Special Permit by changing the personal wireless service facility in one or more of the following ways:
  - 1) Change in the number of facilities

permitted on the site;

- 2) Change in technology used for the personal wireless service facility.

- 3) Additional equipment shelter.

- b) The applicant and/or co-applicant wants to add any equipment or additional height not specified in the original design filing.

4670. Monitoring and Maintenance

4671. Within 90 days of the beginning of operations, and annually thereafter, the applicant shall submit measurements of RFR from the personal wireless service facility. Such measurements shall be signed and certified by a RF engineer, stating that RFR measurements are accurate and meet FCC Guidelines as specified in the Radiofrequency Standards section of this Bylaw.

4672. The applicant and co-applicants shall maintain the personal wireless service facility in good condition. Such maintenance shall include, but shall not be limited to, painting, structural integrity of the mount and security barrier and maintenance of the buffer areas and landscaping.

4680. Abandonment or Discontinuation of Use.

4681. At such time that a licensed carrier plans to abandon or discontinue operation of a personal wireless service facility, such carrier will notify the Town by certified U.S. mail of the proposed date of abandonment or discontinuation of operations. Such notice shall be given no less than 30 days prior to abandonment or discontinuation of operations. In the event that a licensed carrier fails to give such notice, the personal wireless service facility shall be considered abandoned

upon such discontinuation of operations.

4682. Upon abandonment or discontinuation of use, the carrier shall physically remove the personal wireless service facility within 90 days from the date of abandonment or discontinuation of use. "Physically remove" shall include, but not be limited to:

- a) Removal of antennas, mounts and equipment shelters and security barriers from the subject property.
- b) Proper disposal of the waste materials from the site in accordance with local and state solid waste disposal regulations.
- c) Restoring the location of the personal wireless service facility to its natural condition, except that any landscaping and grading shall remain in the after-condition.

4683. If a carrier fails to remove a personal wireless service facility in accordance with this section of this Bylaw, the town shall have the authority to enter the subject property and physically remove the facility. The Zoning Board of Appeals may require the applicant to post a bond at the time of construction to cover costs for the removal of the personal wireless facility in the event the Town must remove the facility.

4690. Reconstruction or Replacement of Existing Towers and Monopoles. Guyed towers, lattice towers, utility towers and monopoles in existence at the time of adoption of this Bylaw may be reconstructed, altered, extended or replaced on the same site by Special Permit, provided that the Zoning Board of Appeals finds that such reconstruction, alteration, extension or replacement will not be

substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood and/or the Town than the existing structure. In making such a determination, the ZBA shall consider whether the proposed reconstruction, alteration, extension or replacement will create public benefits such as opportunities for co-location, improvements in public safety, and/or reduction in visual and environmental impacts. No reconstruction, alteration, extension or replacement shall exceed the height of the existing facility by more than twenty (20) feet.

4695. Term of special permit. A Special Permit issued for any personal wireless service facility over fifty (50) feet in height shall be valid for twenty (20) years. At the end of that time period, the personal wireless service facility shall be removed by the carrier or a new Special Permit shall be required.

Definitions:

ABOVE GROUND LEVEL (AGL) A measurement of height from the natural grade of a site to the highest point of a structure.

ANTENNA The surface from which wireless radio signals are sent and received by a personal wireless service facility.

CAMOUFLAGED A personal wireless service facility that is disguised, hidden, part of an existing or proposed structure or placed within an existing or proposed structure is considered "camouflaged."

CARRIER A company that provides wireless service.

CO-LOCATION The use of a single mount on the ground by more than one carrier (vertical colocation) and/or several mounts on an existing building or structure by more than one carrier.

CROSS-POLARIZED or (DUAL-POLARIZED)



ANTENNA A low mount that has three panels flush mounted or attached very close to the shaft.

ELEVATION The measurement of height above sea level.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) An EA is the document required by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) when a personal wireless service facility is placed in certain designated areas.

EQUIPMENT SHELTER An enclosed structure, cabinet, shed or box at the base of the mount within which are housed batteries and electrical equipment.

FALL ZONE The area on the ground within a prescribed radius from the base of a personal wireless service facility. The fall zone is the area within which there is a potential hazard from falling debris (such as ice) or collapsing material.

FUNCTIONALLY EQUIVALENT SERVICES Cellular, Personal Communication Services (PCS), Enhanced Special Mobile Radio, Specialized Mobile Radio and Paging.

GUYED TOWER A monopole or lattice tower that is tied to the Ground or other surface by diagonal cables.

LATTICE TOWER A type of mount that is self-supporting with multiple legs and cross-bracing of structural steel.

LICENSED CARRIER A company authorized by the FCC to construct and operate a commercial mobile radio services system.

MONOPOLE The type of mount that is self-supporting with a single shaft of wood, steel or concrete and a platform (or racks) for panel antennas arrayed at the top.

MOUNT The structure or surface upon which antennas are mounted, including the following four types of mounts:

- (a) Roof-mounted. Mounted on the roof of a building.
- (b) Side-mounted. Mounted on the side of a building.
- (c) Ground-mounted. Mounted on the ground.
- (d) Structure-mounted. Mounted on a structure other than a building.

OMNIDIRECTIONAL (WHIP) ANTENNA A thin rod that beams and receives a signal in all directions.

PANEL ANTENNA A flat surface antenna usually developed in multiples.

PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE FACILITY Facility for the provision of personal wireless services, as defined by the Telecommunications Act.

PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICES The three types of services regulated by this Bylaw.

RADIOFREQUENCY (RF) ENGINEER An engineer specializing in electrical or microwave engineering, especially the study of radio frequencies.

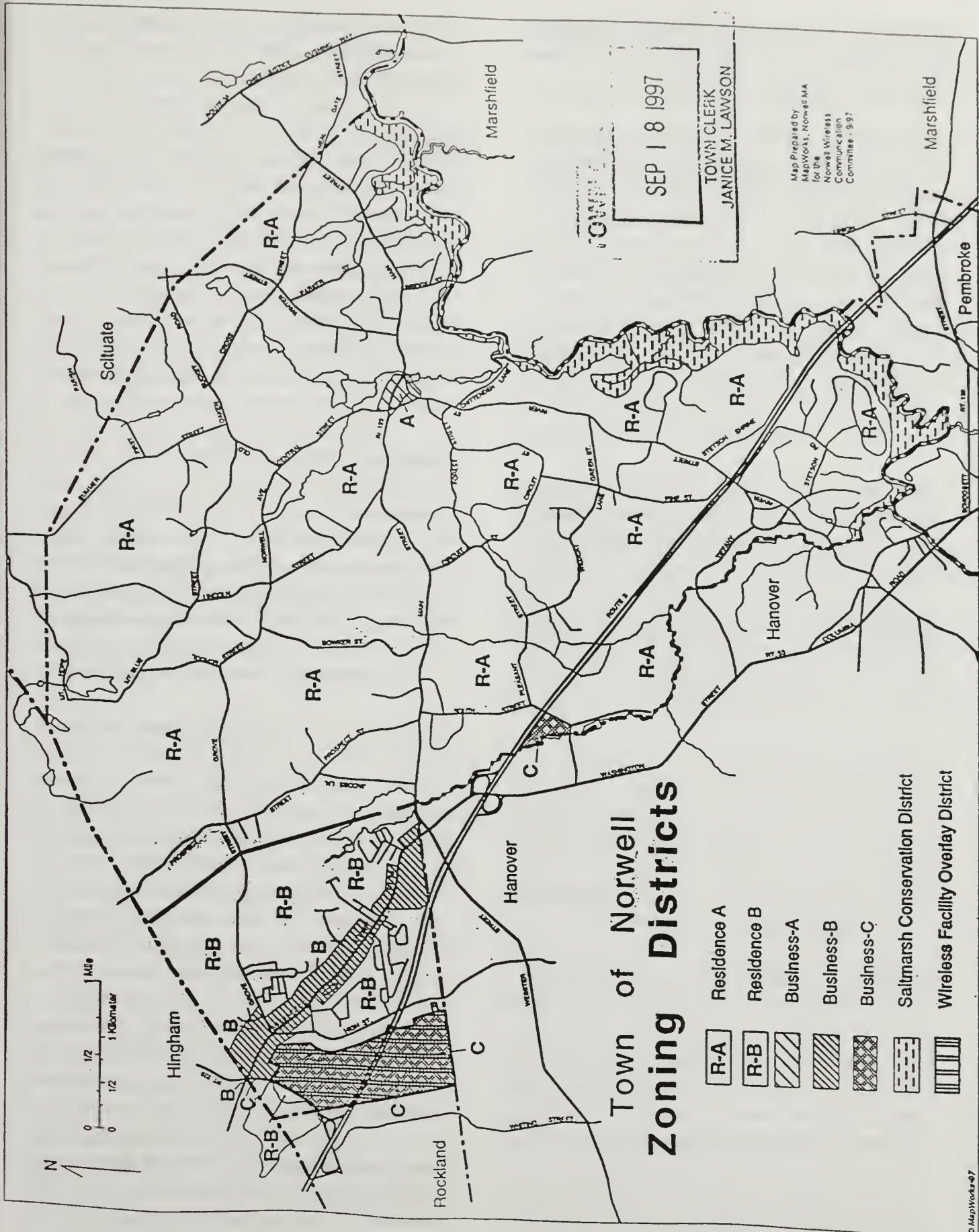
RADIOFREQUENCY RADIATION (RFR) The emissions from personal wireless services facilities.

SECURITY BARRIER A locked, impenetrable wall, fence or berm that completely seals an area from unauthorized entry or trespass.

SEPARATION The distance between one carrier's array of antennas and another carrier's array.

Requested by the Planning Board

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This is a proposal to amend the Town's Bylaws to insure that the Planning Board can optimize our local control of this federally mandated process, while at the same time take care that we do not unfairly (or illegally) constrict these companies in their ability to build the infrastructure necessary for this new type of communications system.**





**ARTICLE 2** - To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws to include a definition for Public Utilities under Article V – Definitions.

Public Utility: A public service corporation either private or municipal, supplying or transmitting gas, water, electricity or communications to any or all members of the public and subject to federal, state or town regulation by virtue of its natural or legal monopoly, except for a corporation or other business enterprise which provides cellular telephone service, personal communication services or enhanced specialized mobile radio services to any or all members of the public.

Requested by the Planning Board

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This is a “house keeping” article in support of Article 1, which simply serves to define the unfamiliar terms used in Article 1.**

**ARTICLE 3** - To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map to include **Wireless Overlay District**. The wireless overlay district is defined under Business District C, Sections 6510 and 6520.

Requested by the Planning Board

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This article clearly delineates the maximum height to which a communications tower can be built in a given area of the Town of Norwell.**

**ARTICLE 4** - Will the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file any necessary legislation (Home Rule Petition) to authorize the transfer of 2+ acres located on Washington Street being a portion of Block 30, Lot 82, Map 12 acquired by the Water Commissioners on December 29, 1970 to the Town of Norwell for the purpose of construction of a Fire Department.

Requested by the Fire Chief

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This article authorizes action by the State Legislature.**

**ARTICLE 5** - To see if the Town will appropriate \$335,557 in anticipation of full (100%) reimbursement by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for Chapter 113, Acts of 1996, second apportionment of the Transportation Enhancement Projects, for State and Highway purposes under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 34, Clause 2(A), work on highways, to be under the direction of the Highway Surveyor, or meet the appropriation by taxation, by transfer or by borrowing, or any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Request by the Highway Surveyor

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This is a routine matter requiring the town to appropriate funds in order to receive state reimbursement. This appropriation indicates to the state that the town has considered the matter and believes these funds are required to maintain the highway infrastructure of the town.**

**ARTICLE 6** - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$700,000 or any other sum and authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase for municipal purposes or any other lawful purposes the Town sees fit, the (14.49) acres of land on Main Street as shown on the Daylor Consulting Group, Inc. plan dated June 18, 1996, excepting however, the residential structure and barn and the one and one-half (1 ½) acres of land allocated thereto, being a portion of the property commonly known as the Osborne property Lots 4 and 6, Block 55 and Lot 16, Block 40 as shown on Sheet 20-A. Further to authorize the Board of Selectmen: (i) to enter into all agreements and to execute all instruments as may be necessary and appropriate to complete the purchase and title transfer on behalf of the Town of Norwell; (ii) to determine whether the money shall be provided in the tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or by any combination of such methods, or (iii) taking any other action relative thereto.



Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 7** - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$250,000 or any other sum and authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase for municipal purposes or any other lawful purpose the Town sees fit, land known as Lot A, as shown on the Daylor Consulting Group, Inc. plan dated June 18, 1996 and a portion of Lot 6 as shown on said Plan, contiguous to said Lot A, containing 2.4 acres, plus or minus, in the aggregate. (This land is a portion of the property commonly known as the Osborne property (being portions of the land shown on Assessors Block 55, Lot 6 of Sheet 20-A). Further to authorize the Board of Selectmen: (i) to enter into all agreements and to execute all instruments as may be necessary and appropriate to complete the purchase and title transfer on behalf of the Town of Norwell; (ii) to determine whether the money shall be provided in the tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or by any combination of such methods, or (iii) taking any other action relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This parcel represents 2.4 acres of land that the town should strongly consider purchasing purely because it abuts town owned land next to the Highway Department and Sparrell School. As such, this land could become useful in the future for possibly a new septic system for the Sparrell and Goldman Schools should it need to be replaced or for even expansion of the schools.**

**Since this article represents 2.4 of the 14.49, the town should consider this article in the event the article for the entire 14.49 acres is not adopted.**

**ARTICLE 8** - To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds the following amounts for the payment of unpaid bills from the prior fiscal year; or act on anything relative thereto:

Harbor Area Rehabilitative Services  
\$3,442.50

Plymouth County Sheriff's Department 435.50

Donald Reed (Water) 257.89

Mello Smello (Olympic Super Sack) 59.75

**Total**  
\$4,195.64

Requested by the Town Accountant

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This money represents bills that were submitted to the town after the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997 for work performed during the fiscal 1997.**

**ARTICLE 9** - To see if the Town will transfer from available funds, \$1,174.00 dollars to meet the union obligation for Local 925 contract for Fiscal Year 1998, said sum to be apportioned by the Town Accountant to Department 63, Planning Board, Line 2-120, Clerical payroll, or act on anything relative thereto. These monies are for a negotiated upgrade.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board recommends this article. This represents a contractual union negotiated upgrade as a result of additional responsibilities.**

**ARTICLE 10** - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$6,800.00 dollars to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health for the care and maintenance of the Brush Pile located at the Recycling Center.

Requested by the Board of Health  
Recycling Committee

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board does NOT recommend this article as written.**

**The brush pile, which was originally started to compliment the recycling efforts by our community, has grown well beyond any expectations.**

Unfortunately, the expense to recycle it has mushroomed well beyond all reasonable projections. It has been suggested that it can cost as much as \$10,000 dollars annually to maintain this recycling project. Therefore, if it is the desire of our community to continue this project it would be appropriate to bring forward a budget at the next annual town meeting.

**ARTICLE 11** - To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$215,000 dollars or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the School Committee for the acquisition and installation of lights for the football field, bleacher renovations to include compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the construction of handicap accessible restrooms at the Norwell High School athletic field.

Requested by the School Committee

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board does NOT recommend this article as written.**

**The Advisory Board recommends \$75,000 to be appropriated from Free Cash to install the lights only. Future alterations such as ADA to follow at the Annual Town Meeting providing money from the lights (SPRINT and AT&T) becomes available.**

**ARTICLE 12** - To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$45,000 dollars or any other sum, \$30,000 of which is to be transferred to Department 109, Tree and Grounds, Line 2-136 Tree Department Payrolls and \$15,000 of which is to be transferred to Line 2-244 General Expenses, to provide a groundskeeper and maintenance for the Norwell High School athletic fields and other town fields.

Requested by the School Committee

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board does NOT recommend this article. The \$45,000.00 mentioned in the article is a portion of the money to be derived from the leasing of space on the athletic field lighting poles and appears to be premature. We**

**feel this request would be best addressed at the Annual 1998 Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 13** - To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$86,700 dollars or any other sum to Department 200 – School Department to offset the costs resulting from the July 1997 Goldman oil leak and tank replacement.

Requested by the School Committee

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board does NOT recommend this article as written.**

**The Advisory Board recommends \$28,000 for the replacement of the Oil Tank. The remaining expenses should be transferred to this years reserve fund. The School Department, as with all other departments, will be required to spend their budget before a transfer request is processed.**

**ARTICLE 14** - To see if the Town will fund from available funds a sum of money to meet union contract obligations for Fiscal 1997, with Local 2700, Norwell Fire Fighters. Said sum to be apportioned by the Town Accountant to the applicable line items in Department 103, Fire Department, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**Recommendation: The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**At the time this warrant went to press, an agreement had not been reached between the town and the Fire Fighters Union.**



**MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**Monday, December 8, 1997**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Precinct One: 64  
Precinct Two: 134  
Precinct Three: 91

**TOTAL . . . . . 289**

On December 9, 1997, at 7:30 pm the Special Town Meeting, held at the Goldman Jr. High School gymnasium was called to order by Moderator Roger E. Hughes, Jr.

Town Clerk, Janice M. Lawson, read the Constable's Return of Service of the Warrant for Town Meeting.

The invocation was given by Rev. Dr. Rochelle Stackhouse. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Moderator Hughes.

The Moderator introduced the following Town officials:

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN:**

Donald R. LeClair, Jr., Chair  
Richard A. Merritt, Vice Chair  
Jean Eckner, Clerk

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:**

Annette P. Sexton

**TOWN COUNSEL:**

Robert E. Galvin, Esquire

**ADVISORY BOARD:**

John Mariano, Chair  
J. Richard Hartigan, Vice Chair  
Mary Cole  
Kenneth Hogeland  
Spencer A. Joseph (COL)  
Charles R. Markham  
Paul Rattigan  
Elaine Reardon  
William F. Shanley  
Patricia A. Cummings, Secretary

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT:**

Carol Ann Amado  
Rita Turco, Ass't

**TOWN CLERK:**

Janice M. Lawson  
Margaret M. Tobin, Ass't

The Moderator thanked the assembled for attending

during this busy time of the year. He then explained the Rules of the Meeting.

1. Restrict your comments to the issues.
2. Please avoid any personalities whatsoever.
3. Main motion is read and seconded. Advisory Board makes their recommendation. Then there is discussion. Make your comments as brief and cogent as possible.
4. Once the main motion is presented, a motion to amend may be entertained. Vote on motion to amend before any other motion to amend may be accepted by the Moderator.
5. Tonight you were given a green voter ID card. If a hand vote is needed, you must hold up your green ticket.
6. Traditionally reconsideration may be entertained the night the vote is taken or the following night.

Moderator Hughes congratulated the High School football team for winning the Division 4 Championship and the South Shore League Title. Boys' Soccer Team went to the State Finals. The Cheerleading squad came in third in the State Finals and the Boys' and Girls' Cross Country teams did very well. "We congratulate all of the youth of this Town."

Donald LeClair, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, introduced our State Senator Michael Morrissey.

**Minutes of Special Town Meeting**  
**December 8, 1997**

Article 1: A motion was made by Sally Turner, Planning Board, seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to amend the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Norwell to provide under Article IV, a new Section 4600, **PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE FACILITIES**, by adding Subsections 4610, 4611, 4620, 4621, 4622, 4623, 4630, 4631, 4632, 4633, 4640, 4641, 4642, 4643, 4650, 4651, 4652, 4653, 4654, 4655, 4660, 4670, 4671, 4672, 4680, 4681, 4682, 4683, 4690, and 4695, and by adding the Definitions printed in Warrant Article 1, in alphabetical order, to Article V of the Zoning Bylaws.

**(SEE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES JUST PREVIOUS TO THIS FOR ENTIRE WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS BYLAW, ARTICLE 1.)**

An amendment by David DeGhetto, River Street to change the wording of Subsection 4621, (b), third sentence from "may locate by Special Permit in all zoning districts within the Town"....to"*only* in



**Business District "C" FAILED TO CARRY.**

Another amendment by David DeGhetto, River Street, to change "may" to "shall" On Page 15, Subsection 4683, third sentence, **FAILED TO CARRY.**

**ARTICLE 2:** A motion was made by Sally Turner, Planning Board, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to amend Article V of the Zoning Bylaws to include a definition of "public utility" as follows:

**Public Utility:** A public service corporation either private or municipal, supplying or transmitting gas, water, electricity or communications to any or all members of the public and subject to federal, state or town regulation by virtue of its natural or legal monopoly, except for a corporation or other business enterprise which provides cellular telephone service, personal communication services or enhanced specialized mobile radio services to any or all members of the public.

**ARTICLE 3:** A motion was made by Sally Turner, Planning Board, and seconded to amend the Zoning Map by adding the **WIRELESS FACILITY OVERLAY DISTRICT**, as shown on the map printed on Page 18 of the Warrant, to the "Zoning Map, Town of Norwell" and zoning districts, in Article II, Section 2100, which overlay district includes those portions of Business District C described in Sections 6510 and 6520.

An amendment to this motion was made by Jean Eckner, of the Board of Selectmen, seconded and the **MAJORITY VOTED** to amend the Zoning Map by adding the **WIRELESS FACILITY OVERLAY DISTRICT**, as shown on the map printed on Page 18 in the Warrant, to the "Zoning Map, Town of Norwell" and zoning districts, in Article II, Section 2100, which overlay district includes those portions of Business District C described in Sections 6510 and 6520. This district shall also include the Norwell High School property as shown on Assessors Map, Block 53; Lot 35 and described in a deed dated December 29, 1970, Book 3641, Page 499, in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.

The main motion, which includes the amendment, was then **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.**

**ARTICLE 4:** A motion was made by Fire Chief Paul Rosebach, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file any necessary legislation (Home Rule Petition) to

authorize the transfer of 2+

acres located on Washington Street being a portion of Block 30, Lot 82, Map 12 acquired by the Board of Water Commissioners on December 29, 1970 to the Town of Norwell for the purpose of construction of a Fire Station.

**ARTICLE 5:** A motion was made by Paul Foulsham, Highway Surveyor/Director, seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to appropriate \$335,557.00 in anticipation of full (100%) reimbursement by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for Chapter 113, Acts of 1996, second apportionment of the Transportation Enhancement Projects, for State and Highway purposes under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 90, Section 34, Clause 2(A), Work on Highways, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor, or meet the appropriation by taxation, by transfer or by borrowing, or any combination of the foregoing.

**ARTICLE 6:** A motion was made by Board of Selectmen Chairman, Donald R. LeClair, Jr., and seconded. The **MAJORITY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this Article. (To appropriate the sum of \$700,000 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase for municipal purposes or any other lawful purposes the Town sees fit, the 14.499 acres of land on Main Street as shown on the Daylor Consulting Group, Inc. plan dated June 18, 1996, excepting however, the residential structure and barn and the one and one-half 1-1/2 acres of land allocated thereto, being a portion of the property commonly known as the OSBORNE property Lots 4 and 6, Block 55 and Lot 16, Block 40 as shown on Sheet 20-A.....).

**ARTICLE 7:** A motion was made by Selectman, Donald R. LeClair, Jr., and seconded. The **MAJORITY VOTED** to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** this article. (To appropriate the sum of \$250,000 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase for municipal purposes or any other lawful purpose the Town sees fit, land known as Lot A, as shown on the Daylor Consulting Group, Inc. plan dated June 18, 1996 and a portion of Lot 6 as shown on said Plan, contiguous to said Lot A, containing 3+ acres, in the aggregate. This land is a portion of the property commonly known as the OSBORNE property being portions of the land shown on Assessors Block 55, Lot 6 of Sheet 20-A.....).

**ARTICLE 8:** A motion was made by Richard A. Merritt, Selectman, and seconded, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED** to transfer from **FREE CASH** the sum of \$4,195.64 for the payment of unpaid

bills in the following amounts from the prior fiscal year:

Harbor Area Rehabilitative  
Services: \$3,442.50

Plymouth County Sheriff's  
Department: \$ 435.50

Donald Reed  
(Water): \$ 257.89

Mello Smello  
(Olympic Super  
Sack) \$ 59.75

**TOTAL: \$4,195.64**

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made by Richard A. Merritt, Selectman, seconded, and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to transfer from FREE CASH the sum of \$1,174.00 to meet the union obligations for Local 925 contract for Fiscal Year 1998, said sum to be apportioned by the Town Accountant to Department 63, Planning Board, Line 2-120, Clerical payroll.

Minutes of Special Town Meeting  
December 8, 1997

ARTICLE 10: A motion was made by Moderator Roger Hughes, for Board of Health Chairman, George Cavanagh, and seconded. THIS ARTICLE FAILED TO CARRY. YES: 92; NO: 105 (The sum of \$6,800 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health for the care and maintenance of the Brush Pile located at the Recycling Center.)

ARTICLE 11: A motion was made by Margaret O'Connor, School Committee, seconded, and the MAJORITY VOTED to transfer \$75,000 from FREE CASH to be expended under the direction of the School Committee for the acquisition and installation of lights for the football field.

A motion was made by George Cavanagh, 304 Winter Street, to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE this article. This amendment FAILED TO CARRY.

Peter Anderson, Planning Board, moved to amend this article by adding "after the RFP's for the Communication Towers have been accepted by the Town", to the end of the original motion. This amendment FAILED TO CARRY.

ARTICLE 12: A motion was made by Margaret O'Connor, School Committee, seconded, and it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE this article. (....To provide a grounds-keeper and maintenance for the Norwell High School athletic fields and other town fields.)

ARTICLE 13: A motion was made by Margaret O'Connor, School Committee, seconded, and the MAJORITY VOTED to transfer from FREE CASH \$28,000 to Department 200 – School Department, to Replace the oil tank at Goldman School.

At this point, Peter Anderson, Planning Board, requested permission from the Moderator to be recognized. He wished to publicly thank the members of the Wireless Communications Facilities Study Committee: John Barbour, 94 Riverside Drive; George Davis, 302 Summer Street; George B. Gardner, 9 Prouty Avenue; Bruce Graham, 76 Hemlock Drive; Herb Heidt, 317 Lincoln Street; John F. Lynch, 266 Pine Street; and Sally I. Turner, 50 Turner's Way, Chairperson. We "express our sincere appreciation for the work they have done and the time they have spent working on the Wireless Communications Bylaw. We are all most grateful."

ARTICLE 14: A motion was made by Jean Eckner, Selectwoman, seconded, and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to INDEFINITELY POSTPONE this article. (....Union contract obligations for Fiscal 1997, with Local 2700, Norwell Fire Fighters....)

There being no further business to transact, a motion was made, seconded, and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED to dissolve this Special Town Meeting at 10:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice M. Lawson, Town Clerk



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Voter registration at the Registry of Motor Vehicles is in full swing. Many of the glitches experienced previously with this method of voting have been corrected. Every community within the Commonwealth is now connected to the main terminal in the office of the Secretary of State in Boston.

Many people are taking advantage of the convenience of voter registration at any of the Registry of Motor Vehicles offices when licenses are renewed and vehicles registered.

Mail-in voter registration forms can also be found at the Norwell Post Office, the Norwell Public Library, the James Library, and the Town Clerk's office.

A large number of Initiative Petitions and Referendum Petitions were received and processed this year for certification of signatures of the voters.

During 1997, additional voting registration hours were held by the Board of Registrars, in the Town Clerk's office, for the Annual Town Election on March 15<sup>th</sup>; the Special/Annual Town Meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>; and the Special Town Meeting on December 8, 1997.

Two hundred eighty-six new voters were registered this year. Some, by appearing in person and registering; many, by using the mail-in voter form; and others, through the Registry of Motor Vehicles, where voter information is electronically sent to the Town Clerk's VRIS computer.

One hundred eight names were moved to the "Inactive Voter List" due to their not having responded to the Census; a family member having crossed off their names on the Census; or, from our having received notification from the post office that the person has moved out of town.

After notifying each of these persons with a "Confirmation Mailing Notice" they are kept on the "Inactive Voter List", unless the Town Clerk's office receives notification that they have registered to vote in another city or town, or they are deceased. If they fail to vote in the next two state elections, their names, after proper notification, will be removed from our voting list.

The number of registered voters fluctuates from month to month but in December, the total number of registered voters was 6353.

A breakdown of that number follows:

Democrats	1580
Republicans	1309
Unenrolled	3440
Libertarians	12
Interdependent 3rd Party	11
Reform	1

For many years Norwell's population has stayed at 9000±. This year, 1997, for the first time, the population exceeded 10,000—10,139 to be exact. We are able to obtain an accurate count of our population at any time thanks to the Secretary of State's new Central Voter Registry system.

Respectfully submitted,

### **BOARD OF REGISTRARS**

Regina T. Giordani, Chairman

Janice M. Lawson, Clerk

E. Lorraine MacLeod

William H. White



## REPORT OF THE BURIAL AGENT

The issuing of Burial Permits is one of the responsibilities of the Town Clerk, who is appointed annually as Burial Agent by the Board of Selectmen.

A Funeral Director may not bury or make any other disposition of a decedent without a Burial Permit. Therefore it is a necessity for the Burial Agent to be accessible. The Town Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Arrangements have been made with the Communications Center at the Norwell Police Station, 40 River Street, for a Funeral Director to obtain a Burial Permit on a holiday or a weekend if a satisfactory Death Certificate is received and retained.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice M. Lawson  
BURIAL AGENT

## JURY LIST INFORMATION

Since 1986, Plymouth County towns have been included in the "ONE DAY/ONE TRIAL" jury system.

Selectmen no longer draw the names of prospective jurors. The current procedure requires the Town Clerk to send a computer tape reel, or a diskette, and a printout of the names and addresses of ALL residents of the Town who are seventeen years of age and older to the Office of the Jury Commissioner before June 1 of each year. (Chapter 234A, MGL)

From this list, which includes dates of births and occupations of all those names included, the Jury Commissioner prepares a randomly selected list of jurors. A copy of this list is mailed to the Town Clerk's office where it is posted for inspection during the latter part of the year. Names on this list are subject to call for jury duty after January 1<sup>st</sup> of the succeeding year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice M. Lawson  
TOWN CLERK

# REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Cash on Hand July 1, 1996	5,720,099.22
Receipts to June 30, 1997	39,089,394.99
Payments to June 30, 1997	-40,831,569.07
Cash Balance June 30, 1997	3,977,925.14

## VALLEY SWAMP TRUST FUND

Balance in Fund July 1, 1996	10,525.99
Interest added to June 30, 1997	485.97
Balance in Fund June 30, 1997	11,011.96

## VEGA TRUST FUND

Balance in Fund July 1, 1996	12,944.15
Interest added to June 30, 1997	597.62
Balance in Fund June 30, 1997	13,541.77

## CONSERVATION FUND

Balance In Fund July 1, 1996	63,133.27
Interest added to June 30, 1997	2,745.83
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	-9,300.00
Balance in Fund June 30, 1997	56,579.10

## JACOBS FARM TRUST FUND

Amount of Fund : \$147,317	
Interest available July 1, 1996	17,678.23
Interest added to June 30, 1997	5,626.74
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	-8,584.00
Interest available June 30, 1997	14,720.97

## STABILIZATION FUND

Balance in Fund July 1, 1996	427,212.47
Interest added to June 30, 1997	11,153.04
Added to Fund	0.00
Withdrawn from Fund	-320,372.00
Balance in Fund June 30, 1997	117,993.51

## FENGER LIBRARY FUND

Amount of Fund: \$10,000	
Interest available July 1, 1996	500.32
Interest added to June 30, 1997	484.78
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	0.00
Balance in Fund June 30, 1997	985.10

BICENTENNIAL LIBRARY FUND

Amount of Fund : \$400

Interest available July 1, 1996	19.96
Interest added to June 30, 1997	19.37
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	0.00
Interest available June 30, 1997	39.33

ANNABEL WAKEFIELD LIBRARY FUND

Amount in Fund : \$100

Interest available July 1, 1996	4.98
Interest added to June 30, 1997	4.86
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	0.00
Interest available to June 30, 1997	9.84

ANNABEL WAKEFIELD POOR FUND

Amount in Fund : \$1,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	8,597.58
Interest added to June 30, 1997	440.62
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	-58.35
Interest available June 30, 1997	8,979.85

ABIGAIL T. OTIS CHARITY FUND

Amount of Fund : \$2,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	13,633.89
Interest added to June 30, 1997	721.83
Interest available June 30, 1997	14,355.72

TRICENTENNIAL TRUST FUND

Amount of Fund : \$100

Interest available July 1, 1996	163.63
Interest added to June 30, 1997	12.16
Interest available June 30, 1997	175.79

JOHN CROCKER BOND MEMORIAL FUND

Amount of Fund : \$6,875

Interest available July 1, 1996	653.30
Interest added to June 30, 1997	340.31
Withdrawn for Scholarship Award	-400.00
Interest available to June 30, 1997	593.61



# ASHLEY B. & MINNIE F. JONES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Amount of Fund: \$10,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	507.48
Interest added to June 30, 1997	480.59
Withdrawn for Scholarship Award	-450.00
Interest available June 30, 1997	538.07

# DOROTHY S. FOGG SCHOLARSHIP FUND A

Amount of Fund : \$25,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	1,979.57
Interest added to June 30, 1997	1,216.27
Withdrawn for Scholarship Award	-1,400.00
Interest available to June 30, 1997	1,795.84

# DOROTHY S. FOGG SCHOLARSHIP FUND B

Amount of Fund : \$25,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	1,456.39
Interest added to June 30, 1997	1,205.85
Withdrawn for Scholarship Award	-1,000.00
Interest available June 30, 1997	1,662.24

# ABIGAIL T. OTIS CEMETERY FUND

Amount of Fund : \$1,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	48.32
Interest added to June 30, 1997	46.42
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	-48.32
Interest available June 30, 1997	46.42

# ABIGAIL T. OTIS TOMB FUND

Amount of Fund : \$500

Interest available July 1, 1996	24.15
Interest added to June 30, 1997	23.20
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	-24.15
Interest available June 30, 1997	23.20

# COFFIN CEMETERY AND CHARITY FUND

Amount of Fund : \$2,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	96.62
Interest added to June 30, 1997	92.80
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	-96.62
Interest available June 30, 1997	92.80

MARY E. FARRAR OR JOSEPH ESTES CEMETERY FUND

Amount of Fund : \$1,000

Interest available July 1, 1996	580.41
Interest added to June 30, 1997	70.51
Interest withdrawn to June 30, 1997	56.50
Interest available June 30, 1997	594.42

WASHINGTON STREET CEMETERY PERMANENT FUND

Balance July 1, 1996	131,337.25
Receipts from Sale of Lots to June 30, 1997	8,400.00
Withdrawn from Fund	0.00
Interest added to June 30, 1997	6,038.04
Balance June 30, 1997	145,775.29

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

BALANCE JULY 1, 1996	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST
	116,423.40	11,360.31
MARK BAILEY	150.00	
ROBERT & MAUREEN WATTS	600.00	
WILLIAM & EVELYN SEAVEY	150.00	
RICHARD & JEAN JONES	300.00	
MAUREEN KARSTUNEN	300.00	
VERA BAILEY	150.00	
ROBERT MCCARTHY	300.00	
GROCE POMPEO	300.00	
JAMES AHERN	150.00	
JAMES ELLIS	300.00	
JOSEPH MCGUIRE	300.00	
DEBORAH SNOW	300.00	
LEON BOSTEELS	600.00	
THOMAS SCAVITTO JR	300.00	

Interest added to June 30, 1997		5,870.16
Withdrawals to June 30, 1997		-390.50
BALANCE June 30, 1997	120,623.40	16,839.97

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

PATRICIA A. CROWLEY, TOWN TREASURER  
 SUSAN A. MILLS, ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER



**REPORT OF TOWN COLLECTOR  
FISCAL YEAR 1996 - 1997**

**OUTSTANDING BALANCES - July 1, 1996**

1996 REAL ESTATE	365,385.42
1995 REAL ESTATE	130,417.49
1994 REAL ESTATE	39,220.98
1993 REAL ESTATE IN LITIGATION	1,578.58
1996 PERSONAL PROPERTY	3,095.32
1995 PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,721.45
1994 & PRIOR YEARS PERSONAL PROPERTY	6,446.51
1996 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	45,881.44
1995 & PRIOR YEARS MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	26,363.28
1996 WATER RATES	176,664.97
1996 WATER LIENS	22,366.41
1995 & PRIOR YEARS WATER LIENS	3,024.46
1996 BOAT EXCISE	1,014.00
1995 BOAT EXCISE	1,147.50
1994 & PRIOR YEARS BOAT EXCISE	1,301.00
AMBULANCE SERVICE	74,924.17
POLICE EXTRA DETAIL	7,032.77
POLICE DETAIL ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	345.46
FALSE ALARM FINES	2,000.00

**TOTAL OUTSTANDING - 7/1/96**

**909,931.21**

**COMMITMENTS RECEIVED - July 1, 1996 - June 30, 1997**

1997 REAL ESTATE	14,488,084.69
REAL ESTATE ROLLBACK TAXES	8,853.60
1995 TAXES IN LITIGATION	4,799.95
1994 TAXES IN LITIGATION	4,136.20
1997 PERSONAL PROPERTY	215,078.77
1997 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	864,196.86
1996 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	165,838.86
1995 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	2,884.11
1997 WATER RATES	831,932.15
1997 WATER LIENS	65,945.80
1997 BOAT EXCISE	6,211.00
AMBULANCE SERVICE	169,997.10
POLICE EXTRA DETAIL	142,259.87
POLICE DETAIL ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	8,146.10
FALSE ALARM FINES	10,775.00
<b>TOTAL COMMITMENTS</b>	<b>16,989,140.06</b>

**REFUNDS PAID**

**229,251.17**

PAID TO TREASURER	16,813,797.10
ABATEMENTS	302,024.73
TAX DEFERRALS	12,300.69
1996 WATER RATES TO LIENS	60,427.66
1997 REAL ESTATE ADDED TO TAX TITLE	82,941.90
1996 REAL ESTATE ADDED TO TAX TITLE	21,242.93
1995 REAL ESTATE ADDED TO TAX TITLE	19,884.21
1994 REAL ESTATE ADDED TO TAX TITLE	15,113.12
1993 TAXES IN LITIGATION ADDED TO TAX TITLE	1,578.58
1997 WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAX TITLE	1,897.72
1996 WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAX TITLE	1,245.99
1995 WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAX TITLE	763.28
1994 WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAX TITLE	379.75
	<b>17,332,454.63</b>

**OUTSTANDING BALANCES - June 30, 1997**

1997 REAL ESTATE	269,986.73
1996 REAL ESTATE	80,501.13
1995 REAL ESTATE TAXES IN LITIGATION	4,799.95
1994 REAL ESTATE TAXES IN LITIGATION	4,136.20
1997 PERSONAL PROPERTY	3,521.00
1996 PERSONAL PROPERTY	609.42
1995 & PRIOR YEARS PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,247.13
1997 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	33,220.06
1996 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	13,266.86
1995 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	9,648.78
1994 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	3,655.01
1993 & PRIOR YEARS MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	5,065.02
1997 WATER RATES	130,361.72
1997 WATER LIENS	33,532.22
1996 WATER LIENS	7,953.76
1997 BOAT EXCISE	5,970.00
1996 BOAT EXCISE	1,014.00
1995 & PRIOR YEARS BOAT EXCISE	2,448.50
AMBULANCE SERVICE	130,231.11
POLICE EXTRA DETAIL	41,075.17
POLICE DETAIL ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	1,257.93
FALSE ALARM FINES	2,275.00

<b>TOTAL OUTSTANDING - 6/30/97</b>	<b>785,776.70</b>
------------------------------------	-------------------

**18,118,231.33**

**COLLECTED AND PAID TO TREASURER:**

INTEREST	113,507.85
COSTS, CHARGES, & FEES	13,850.43
MUNICIPAL LIEN CERTIFICATES	9,900.00

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

PATRICIA A. CROWLEY, TOWN COLLECTOR  
SUSAN A. MILLS, ASSISTANT TOWN COLLECTOR

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the Town Accountant's Report for the financial accounts for the Town of Norwell for the fiscal year July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 61 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ann Amado  
Town Accountant



**GENERAL FUND  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997**

**ASSETS**

Cash		\$2,869,015.56	\$2,869,015.56
Personal Property Taxes:	1997	\$3,521.00	
	1996	\$609.42	
	1995	\$100.73	
	1994	\$176.20	
	1993	\$970.20	
			\$5,377.55
Real Estate Taxes:	1997	\$269,986.79	
	1996	\$80,501.13	
	1995	\$0.00	
			\$350,487.92
Motor Vehicle Excis Taxes:	1997	\$33,220.06	
	1996	\$13,266.86	
	1995	\$9,648.78	
	1994	\$3,655.01	
	1993	\$5,065.02	
			\$64,855.73
Prov. for Abatements & Exemp.	1997	(\$271,747.76)	
	1996	(\$161,704.27)	
	1995	(\$193,766.45)	
	1994	(\$58,102.55)	
	1993	(\$970.20)	
			(\$686,291.23)
Boat Excise		\$9,553.00	\$9,553.00
Tax Liens, Foreclosures & Deferrals:			
Liens		\$589,785.37	
Foreclosures		\$111,144.72	
Tax Deferrals		\$126,855.46	
Taxes in Litigation		\$8,936.15	
			\$836,721.70
Departmental:			
Veteran		\$20,772.22	
Police Extra Detail		\$41,075.17	
Ambulance		\$130,230.61	
Alarm Fees		\$2,275.00	
			\$194,353.00

<b>TOTAL ASSET:</b>	<u>\$3,644,073.23</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITIES</b>	

Deffered Revenue:

Property Taxes	(\$330,425.76)	
Motor Vehicle Excises	\$64,855.73	
Boat Excise	\$9,553.00	
Departmental	\$194,353.00	
Tax Liens	\$589,785.37	
Tax Forclosures	\$111,144.72	
Tax Deferral Liens	\$126,855.46	
Taxes in Litigation	<u>\$8,936.15</u>	\$775,057.67

Warrants Payable \$506,392.92

Agency:

Pollice Extra Detail Payable	\$17,495.95	
Sales Tax Due State	(\$0.40)	
Fish & Game License	(\$439.40)	
Unclaimed Checks	\$15,178.82	
Bid Deposits	<u>\$7,667.15</u>	\$39,902.12

Payables:

Medicare Tax Reserve	(\$0.01)	
Social Securtiy	\$0.52	
Group Health	\$51,997.97	
Group Life	\$1,613.97	
Police Dues	(\$61.05)	
Teachers' Annuities	<u>\$3,526.64</u>	\$57,078.04

F.M. Cushing Funds	\$78,847.59	
Jacobs Farm Income Fund	\$19,275.79	
Trust Funds	<u>\$10,155.71</u>	\$108,279.09

Fund Equities:

Reserved for Appropriation Deficits	(\$92,624.89)	
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$13,170.66	
Reserved for Special Articles	\$394,335.95	
Reserved for Expenditures	\$375,000.00	
Reserved for Over/Under Assessments	\$1,153.00	
Unreserved Fund Balance	<u>\$1,466,328.67</u>	\$2,157,363.39

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$3,644,073.23**

TOWN OF NORWELL  
SCHOOL LUNCH  
FUND 22  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997

ASSESTS

Cash	\$61,900.37
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u>\$61,900.37</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Warrants Payable	\$7,438.86
Unreserved Fund Balance	<u>\$54,461.51</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$61,900.37</u>



**TOWN OF NORWELL**  
**'SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**FUND 24**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**JUNE 30, 1997**

**ASSESTS;**

Cash	<u>\$196,748.98</u>
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u><u>\$196,748.98</u></u>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITIES**

Warrants Payable	\$8,206.44
------------------	------------

Fund Equities:

Arts Encounter Fund/Library	\$429.22
Recreation Revolving Fund	\$84,406.47
School Athletics Revolving	\$6,242.52
Insurance Reimbursement	\$16,978.26
Mariner 'Gift Fund	\$318.00
School Field Use	\$125.00
Library- Womens Gift	\$125.00
Library - State Aid	\$67.00
Burke Gift Fund	\$99.00
Town Owned Land/Sale	\$1,744.31
SR. CTR. Gift Fund Council On Aging	\$3,370.13
Day Care Revolving	\$583.00
Fire - Gift Fund	\$739.48
Suicide Prevention	\$16.62
Harvard Comm. Plan Gift Fund	\$133.55
Library-Church Hillers Gift Fund	\$39.83
Norma Morgan Gift Fund	\$150.92
Waterway Improvement Fund	\$3,538.13
Highway Funds	<u>\$69,436.10</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$196,748.98</u></u>
-------------------	----------------------------

**TOWN OF NORWELL  
FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS  
FUND 25  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997**

**ASSETS:**

Cash	<u>\$174,494.35</u>
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u><u>\$174,494.35</u></u>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITIES**

Warrants Payable	\$9,036.59
------------------	------------

Fund Equities:

Norwell Arts Lottery	\$1,085.74
S.A.F.E. Grant	\$15.00
Law Enforcement	\$7,683.32
D.A.R.E. Grant	\$340.83

School

605 Title VI 97FY	\$1,244.01
606 D.D.E. 97FY	\$127.83
607 Curriculum	\$344.36
608 97FY Project Resource	\$3,811.50
609 Title VI 96FY	\$1,007.55
629 Cranberry Career	\$50.74
634 D.A.R.E.	(\$3,100.00)
635 Professional Development	\$0.06
636 NYNEX	\$759.56
637 Chapter I	\$1,196.72
638 97 Earlychildhood	\$4,713.08
654 I T Bond Tech	\$52,170.00
656 Cranberry Alliance	\$2,500.00

Total School Funds:	\$64,825.41
---------------------	-------------

Conservation	\$557.97
Library	\$5,037.98
Board of Health	\$9,799.66
Highway MEMA	\$75,330.00
Council On Aging	<u>\$781.85</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$174,494.35</u></u>
-------------------	----------------------------

TOWN OF NORWELL  
WATER FUND  
FUND 28  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997

**ASSETS;**

Cash		\$399,234.44
1997 Water Rates	\$130,361.72	
1997 Water Liens	\$33,532.22	
1996 Water Liens	\$7,953.76	
ASSETS:	<u>                    </u>	<u>\$171,847.70</u>
TOTAL ASSETS:		<u><u>\$571,082.14</u></u>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITITES**

Warrants Payable		\$8,415.32
Deferred Revenue		\$171,847.70
Fund Equities:		
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$288,523.37	
Reserve for Encumbrances	\$72,295.75	
Reserve for Expenditures	<u>\$30,000.00</u>	
		<u>\$390,819.12</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITIES:		<u><u>\$571,082.14</u></u>



**TOWN OF NORWELL  
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND  
FUND 30  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997**

**ASSETS**

Cash	<u>\$62,821.99</u>
------	--------------------

TOTAL ASSETS:	<u><u>\$62,821.99</u></u>
---------------	---------------------------

**LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY**

Warrants Payable	\$599.63
------------------	----------

FUND EQUITY:

Water Treatment Plant Fund Balance	<u>\$62,222.36</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:	<u><u>\$62,821.99</u></u>

TOWN OF NORWELL  
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND  
FUND 31  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997

ASSETS

Cash	<u>\$97,964.04</u>
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u><u>\$97,964.04</u></u>

LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY

Warrants Payable	\$1,960.64
FUND EQUITY:	
School and General Government	<u>\$96,003.40</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:	<u><u>\$97,964.04</u></u>

TOWN OF NORWELL  
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND  
FUND 32  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997

ASSETS

Cash	\$4,533.76
------	------------

TOTAL ASSETS:	<u>\$4,533.76</u>
---------------	-------------------

LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY

FUND EQUITY:	
Standpipe/Water Mains	\$4,533.76

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:	<u>\$4,533.76</u>
------------------------------------	-------------------



TOWN OF NORWELL  
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND  
FUND 33  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997

ASSETS

Cash	\$0.00
Amounts to be provided	<u>\$3,900,000.00</u>
 TOTAL ASSESTS:	 <u><u>\$3,900,000.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY

FUND EQUITY:	
Purchase of "Donovans Property" Fund Balance	<u>\$3,900,000.00</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:	 <u><u>\$3,900,000.00</u></u>

**TOWN OF NORWELL  
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND  
FUND 34  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997**

**ASSETS:**

Cash	<u>\$36,913.77</u>
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u><u>\$36,913.77</u></u>

**LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY**

**FUND EQUITY:**

Capital Projects/Repair	<u>\$36,913.77</u>
-------------------------	--------------------

TOTAL LIABILITIES :	<u><u>\$36,913.77</u></u>
---------------------	---------------------------

**TOWN OF NORWELL  
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND  
FUND 35  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997**

**ASSETS:**

Cash	<u>\$5,299.01</u>
------	-------------------

TOTAL ASSETS:	<u><u>\$5,299.01</u></u>
---------------	--------------------------

**LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY**

**FUND EQUITY:**

Capital Projects/Equipment	<u>\$5,299.01</u>
----------------------------	-------------------

TOTAL LIABILITIES:	<u><u>\$5,299.01</u></u>
--------------------	--------------------------



**TOWN OF NORWELL  
TRUST FUNDS  
FUND 81  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997**

**ASSETS:**

Restricted Savings

\$722,516.47

TOTAL ASSETS:

\$722,516.47

**FUND EQUITIES**

	NON-EXPENDABLE	EXPENDABLE
Conservation Fund	\$56,579.10	
Stabilization Fund*****	\$106,000.00	\$11,993.51
Tricentennial Fund*	\$100.00	\$175.79
Bicentennial Library Fund	\$400.00	\$39.33
Annabel Wakefield Library Fund	\$100.00	\$9.84
Annabel Wakefield Poor Fund	\$1,000.00	\$8,979.85
Abigail T. Otis Charity Fund	\$2,000.00	\$14,355.72
Fenger Library Fund	\$10,000.00	\$985.10
John Crocker Bond Memorial Fund	\$6,875.00	\$593.61
Ashley & Minnie Jones jScholarship Fund	\$10,000.00	\$538.07
Dorothy S. Fogg Scholarship Fund "A"	\$25,000.00	\$1,795.84
Dorothy S. Fogg Scholarship Fund "B"	\$25,000.00	\$1,662.24
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$116,423.40	\$16,839.97
Washington St. Cemetery Permanent Fund**	\$137,375.29	\$0.00
Mary Farrar or Joseph Estes Cemetery Fund	\$1,000.00	\$594.42
Abigail T. Otis Cemetery Fund	\$1,000.00	\$46.42
Abigail T. Otis Tomb Fund	\$500.00	\$23.20
Coffin Cemetery & Charity Fund	\$2,000.00	\$92.80
Jacobs Farmhouse	\$147,317.00	\$14,720.97
Charles H. PikeFund***	\$200.00	
Sarah Sawyer Fund****	\$200.00	
	<u>\$649,069.79</u>	<u>\$73,446.68</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$649,069.79</u>	<u>\$73,446.68</u>

TOTAL FUND EQUITITES:

\$722,516.47

\* To be expended in Year 2076

\*\*Can be expended with Town Meeting Vote

\*\*\*Charles H. Pike Cemetery Fund \$200.00 (Prin.) Held by Bank Of Boston

\*\*\*\*Sarah Sawyer Cemetery Fund \$200.00 (Prin.) Held by Commonwealth

\*\*\*\*\*Voted \$106,000.00 for new fire station Art.26 ATM5/5/97

TOWN OF NORWELL  
TRUST AND AGENCY  
FUND 89  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997

**ASSETS**

Cash		
	Restricted Savings	\$25,553.73
	Unrestricted savings	\$67,998.87
		<hr/>
	TOTAL ASSESTS:	<u>\$93,552.60</u>

**LIABILITIES**

Warrants Payable		\$285.76
Valley Swamp Escrow		\$11,011.96
Vega Trust		\$13,541.77
Kenrobin Industries Escrow		\$1,000.00
Deposit Accounts:		
	Security Deposit	\$700.00
	Conservation	\$11,619.60
	Planning Board	\$55,393.51
		<hr/>
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$93,552.60</u>

TOWN OF NORWELL  
GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT  
ACCOUNT GROUP  
FUND 97  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1997

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

1997 Water Bonds	\$2,680,000.00
1997 Municipal Purpose Bond	\$2,833,000.00
1990 Municipal Purpose Bonds	\$215,000.00
1992 Water Bonds	\$690,000.00
1992 Municipal Purpose Bonds	\$320,000.00
	<hr/>
	\$6,738,000.00
	<hr/>

Serial Loans:

Water Treatment Plant	\$2,680,000.00
Debt Exclusion Bond	\$2,833,000.00
Jacob's Farm	\$75,000.00
South Street/Land	\$80,000.00
Chittenden Lane	\$60,000.00
Watermains	\$690,000.00
Remodeling repair and reconstruction	\$150,000.00
Equipment	\$170,000.00
	<hr/>
	\$6,738,000.00
	<hr/>



TOWN OF NORWELL  
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES  
WATER FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 1997

REVENUES:

Water Rates	\$830,969.11	
Water Connections	\$48,038.00	
Misc. Revenue	\$1,583.00	
T/F General Fund	\$3,644.00	
Interest	\$11,609.99	
TOTAL REVENUE:		\$895,844.10

EXPENDITURES:

Board of Commissioners	\$2,100.00	
Superintendent	\$51,311.93	
Union Salaries	\$118,851.33	
Overtime	\$23,024.23	
Longevity	\$400.00	
Stand-By	\$5,317.00	
Clerical Salaries	\$41,241.37	
TOTAL PERSONNEL SERVICES:		\$242,245.86

Uniform Allowance	\$1,273.11	
Electricity	\$65,848.24	
Fuel	\$415.74	
Gas Heat	\$3,755.59	
Repair & Maint. Equip.	\$24,833.85	
Equipment Rental	\$3,687.94	
Professional Services	\$11,760.73	
Tuition	\$3,037.09	
Board Expenses	\$199.95	
Telephone	\$1,493.83	
Postage	\$97.52	
Contract Services	\$29,992.31	
Police Detail	\$6,570.43	
Building Maintenance	\$8,272.22	
Office & Other Expenses	\$10,220.46	
Treatment Plant Expense	\$61,289.01	
Meters & Hydrants	\$17,345.59	
Leaks & New Services	\$12,564.87	
Superintendents Expenses	\$37.97	
Compliance Fee	\$3,045.98	
Telemetry Expense	\$5,170.12	
Travel Expense	\$201.81	
Dues & Meetings	\$268.00	
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES:		\$271,382.36

TOWN OF NORWELL  
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES  
WATER FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 1997

Water Debt t/t General Fund	\$325,022.29	
Capital Outlay	\$16,962.00	
Special Articles	\$54,114.04	
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES:		<u>\$396,098.33</u>
Indirect Costs:	\$85,000.00	
Bonding Costs:		
		<u>\$85,000.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<u>\$994,726.55</u>
Revenue Over Expenditures		(\$98,882.45)
Balance Forward	\$489,701.57	
Revenue	\$895,844.10	
Expenditures	<u>(\$994,726.55)</u>	
	<u>\$390,819.12</u>	

TOWN OF NORWELL

**TOWN OF NORWELL**  
**SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, PAYMENTS & OTHER ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1997**

GENERAL FUND	APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES	TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>2-ACCOUNTING</b>						
SALARIES & WAGES	\$83,783.00		\$84,175.72	\$4,985.28	\$5,378.00	
EXPENSES	\$12,735.00		\$12,718.08	\$16.92		
<b>3-SELECTMEN</b>						
BD. MEMBERS SALARIES	\$2,200.00		\$2,200.00	\$0.00		
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	\$55,424.00		\$57,799.87	\$1.13	\$2,377.00	
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$52,021.00		\$53,033.04	\$803.96	\$1,816.00	
EXPENSES	\$9,200.00	\$6,200.76	\$15,128.66	\$272.10		
CARE VETERANS' GRAVES	\$1,200.00		\$1,133.00	\$67.00		
COURT JUDGEMENT			\$518,000.00		\$518,000.00	
<b>6-BEAUTIFICATION</b>						
EXPENSES	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00	\$0.00		
<b>7-HOUSING PARTNERSHIP</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$1.00		\$0.00	\$1.00		
PARTNERSHIP EXPENSES	\$1.00		\$0.00	\$1.00		
<b>8-HANDICAP COMMISSION</b>						
EXPENSES	\$3,000.00		\$1,756.95	\$1,243.05		
<b>9-MODERATOR</b>						
SALARY	\$1.00		\$0.00	\$1.00		
<b>10-CUSHING MEMORIAL</b>						
SALARY	\$18,357.00		\$18,853.72	\$2.28	\$499.00	
EXPENSES	\$20,500.00		\$20,367.84	\$132.16		
<b>11-ADVISORY BOARD</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$4,326.00		\$2,937.08	\$1,544.92	\$156.00	
EXPENSES	\$600.00		\$165.58	\$434.42		
<b>12-CAPITAL BUDGET COMM</b>						
EXPENSES	\$1.00			\$1.00		



	APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES	TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>13-RESERVE FUND</b>						
RESERVE FUND	\$225,000.00	(\$144,805.96)		\$80,194.04		
<b>15-TOWN MEET. &amp; ELEC.</b>						
SALARIES	\$13,500.00		\$10,566.68	\$2,933.32		
EXPENSES	\$6,500.00		\$6,362.69	\$137.31		
<b>17-BD. OF REGISTRARS</b>						
CLERK OF BD. SALARY	\$300.00		\$300.00	\$0.00		
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$10,436.00		\$11,229.00	\$0.00	\$793.00	
EXPENSES	\$3,000.00		\$2,950.49	\$49.51		
<b>19-TOWN REPORTS</b>						
TOWN REPORTS	\$9,000.00		\$8,380.31	\$619.69		
<b>29-ASSESSORS</b>						
BD. MEMBERS SALARIES	\$4,150.00		\$4,029.16	\$120.84		
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$67,075.00		\$69,128.10	\$3,747.90	\$5,801.00	
GENERAL EXPENSES	\$10,040.00		\$10,022.36	\$17.64		
REVALUATION EXPENSES	\$13,900.00		\$13,451.30	\$448.70		
<b>35-TREAS./COLLECTOR</b>						
TREAS./COLLECTOR SALARY	\$52,800.00		\$54,641.00	\$0.00	\$1,841.00	
CLERICAL EXPENSES	\$77,981.00		\$80,342.37	\$2,985.63	\$5,347.00	
BONDING COSTS	\$30,600.00		\$35,300.00	\$0.00	\$4,700.00	
GENERAL EXPENSES	\$58,250.00	\$671.85	\$57,229.84	\$1,692.01		
TAX TITLE EXPENSES	\$15,951.98		\$10,160.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,791.28
<b>39-TOWN CLERK</b>						
TOWN CLERK SALARY	\$40,000.00		\$39,999.82	\$0.18		
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$25,611.00		\$29,595.68	\$666.32	\$4,651.00	
EXPENSES	\$2,500.00		\$2,494.69	\$5.31		
<b>45-LEGAL SERVICES</b>						
LEGAL EXPENSES	\$50,000.00	\$26,303.08	\$76,137.68	\$165.40		
SETTLEMENTS/CLAIMS	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00		
UNION NEGOTIATIONS	\$0.00		\$0.00			

APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES		TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>47-PERSONNEL BOARD</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$0.00		\$0.00			
EXPENSES	\$1.00	\$5,631.28	\$5,631.28	\$1.00		
<b>48-DESIGN REVIEW BOARD</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$602.00		\$322.11	\$300.89	\$21.00	
EXPENSES	\$245.00		\$0.00	\$245.00		
<b>49-DEVEL. &amp; INDUS. COM.</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$1.00		\$0.00	\$1.00		
EXPENSES	\$500.00		\$0.00	\$500.00		
<b>51-CENTRAL COMPUTER</b>						
EXPENSES	\$34,744.10	\$0.00	\$34,045.80	\$698.30		
<b>61-BOARD OF APPEALS</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$0.00		\$0.00			
EXPENSES	\$3,000.00		\$1,743.46	\$1,256.54		
<b>63-PLANNING BOARD</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$19,210.00		\$20,210.61	\$7.39	\$1,008.00	
WORK SUPERVISOR	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00		
EXPENSES	\$4,800.00	\$1,486.20	\$5,002.37	\$1,283.83		
<b>65-TOWN HALL</b>						
CUSTODIAN'S SALARY	\$18,350.00		\$17,620.47	\$729.53	\$0.00	
EXPENSES	\$67,500.00		\$62,889.08	\$4,610.92		
299-CAPITLA OUTLAY						
<b>66-P.B.M.C.</b>						
CLERICAL	\$1,747.19		\$522.76	\$1,224.43		\$0.00
EXPENSE	\$3,800.00		\$3,798.28	\$1.72		
<b>71-PENSIONS</b>						
PLY. CTY. RETIRE. FUND	\$582,060.00		\$462,778.00	\$119,282.00		
NON-CONTRIB. PENSIONS	\$720.00		\$720.00	\$0.00		
<b>75-UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.</b>	\$15,000.00		\$6,320.38	\$8,679.62		
<b>77-GROUP INSURANCE</b>	\$807,000.00		\$797,025.17	\$9,974.83		
<b>81-TOWN INSURANCE</b>	\$157,562.00		\$132,526.26	\$25,035.74		
<b>91-GOV'T STUDY COMM.</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$1.00		\$0.00	\$1.00		

APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES		TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>92-GROUNDWATER</b>						
PROTECTION STUDY EXP.		\$1.00	\$0.00	\$1.00		
<b>94-DRAINAGE</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES		\$1.00	\$0.00	\$1.00		
GENERAL EXPENSES						
<b>101-POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>						
POLICE CHIEF SALARY		\$63,207.00	\$65,392.00	\$0.00	\$2,185.00	
POLICE OFFICERS SALARY		\$956,129.00	\$951,588.51	\$4,540.49	\$0.00	
OTHER SALARIES		\$29,485.00	\$29,693.05	\$188.95	\$397.00	
CLERICAL		\$24,846.00	\$26,841.84	\$1.16	\$1,997.00	
GENERAL EXPENSES		\$74,340.00	\$84,341.37	\$98.63		
CRUISER EXPENSES		\$68,714.00	\$64,045.94	\$4,668.06		
OTHER TOWN VEHICLES		\$1,500.00	\$762.85	\$737.15		
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
<b>103-FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>						
FIRE CHIEF SALARY		\$53,500.00	\$55,080.21	\$99.79	\$1,680.00	
PERM. FIREFIGHTERS' PAY		\$520,000.00	\$577,126.94	\$0.00	\$57,126.94	
CLERICAL		\$22,968.00	\$24,165.26	\$405.74	\$1,603.00	
GENERAL EXPENSES		\$52,508.00	\$54,707.89	\$365.11	\$850.00	
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$72,000.00	\$67,991.99	\$4,008.01		
<b>104-CALL FIREMEN</b>						
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF		\$4,500.00	\$3,750.00	\$750.00		
CALL FIREMEN SALARIES		\$77,696.00	\$58,295.76	\$19,400.24		
CALL FIRE EXPENSES		\$13,400.00	\$12,807.42	\$592.58		
<b>105-AMBULANCE SERVICE</b>						
SALARIES		\$59,422.00	\$52,545.59	\$8,956.41	\$2,080.00	
AMBULANCE EXPENSES		\$17,122.00	\$16,906.58	\$215.42		
UNMANNED AMB. EXPENSES		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00		
<b>107-EMERGENCY COMM.</b>						
SALARIES		\$210,924.00	\$233,318.78	\$1,278.22	\$12,173.00	
EXPENSES		\$32,800.00	\$32,551.51	\$248.49		



	APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES		TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>109-TREE &amp; GROUNDS</b>							
TREE DIRECTOR'S SALARY	\$28,137.00			\$28,137.00	\$0.00		
DEPARTMENT SALARIES	\$96,557.00			\$94,092.93	\$2,464.07		
CLERICAL SALARIES					\$0.00		
GENERAL EXPENSES	\$39,794.00		\$25,220.00	\$64,631.90	\$382.10		
TREE INSECT CONTROL	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00	\$0.00		
TREE CEMETERY CARE	\$30,273.00			\$30,167.20	\$105.80		
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00			
<b>113-BUILDING DEPT.</b>							
BUILDING INSP. SALARY	\$44,868.00			\$44,862.52	\$5.48		
CLERICAL SALARY	\$23,163.00			\$21,067.85	\$3,004.15	\$909.00	
INSPECTORS FEES	\$21,592.00			\$21,040.28	\$551.72		
EXPENSES	\$8,237.00			\$6,454.34	\$1,782.66	\$0.00	
<b>119-SEALER WTS/MEAS.</b>							
SEALER WTS/MEAS. SALARY	\$1,253.00			\$1,295.00	\$0.00	\$42.00	
EXPENSES	\$160.00			\$0.00	\$160.00		
<b>131-CIVIL DEFENSE</b>							
EXPENSES	\$400.00			\$350.91	\$49.09		
<b>133-ANIMAL CONTROL</b>							
ANIMAL CONTROL FEES	\$13,898.00			\$14,963.00	\$0.00	\$1,065.00	
ANIMAL INSPECTOR FEES	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00		
EXPENSES	\$7,000.00			\$5,137.88	\$1,862.12		
<b>147-TRAFFIC STUDY</b>							
EXPENSES	\$200.00			\$0.00	\$200.00		
<b>198-SCHOOL</b>							
BUS TRANSPORTATION	\$427,000.00			\$426,926.45	\$73.55		
<b>200-SCHOOL DEPT.</b>							
NET SCHOOL SPENDING	\$10,582,255.00			\$10,582,146.96	\$108.04	\$0.00	
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$180,000.00			\$180,000.00	\$0.00		
<b>201-S.S. REGIONAL SCHOOL</b>							
	\$53,906.00			\$53,906.00	\$0.00		

APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES	TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>300-HIGHWAY DEPT.</b>					
SURVEYOR SALARY		\$28,137.00	\$0.00		
DEPARTMENT SALARIES		\$151,895.43	\$5,568.57	\$110.00	
CLERICAL SALARIES		\$26,741.84	\$1.16	\$1,997.00	
OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL		\$1.00	\$1.00		
GENERAL EXPENSES		\$48,190.27	\$3.73		
SIGNS/RD. MARKINGS		\$32,371.88	\$0.00		
SNOW REMOVAL/ SANDING		\$155,683.79	\$0.00		
O & M OF EQUIPMENT	\$38,083.79	\$22,557.87	\$642.13		
TOWN GASOLINE		\$36,714.36	\$285.64		
WATER SERVICES	\$8,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00		
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$64,078.09	\$3,421.91		
<b>307-STREET LIGHTING</b>					
EXPENSES		\$50,359.07	\$5,528.93		

APPROPRIATIONS, AND BALANCES		TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>485-MASS HISTORICAL COM.</b>						
GENERAL EXPENSES		\$4,200.00	\$3,672.66	\$527.34		
<b>487-CONSERVATION</b>						
CLERICAL SALARIES		\$8,115.00	\$8,114.86	\$0.14		
CONSERVATION AGENT SAL.		\$22,440.00	\$24,060.02	\$0.98	\$1,621.00	
GENERAL EXPENSES		\$4,550.00	\$4,549.90	\$0.10		
CONSERVATION FUND						
<b>501-BD. OF HEALTH</b>						
BD. MEMBERS' SALARIES		\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$0.00		
AGENT'S SALARY		\$41,399.00	\$41,398.48	\$0.52		
CLERICAL SALARIES		\$26,246.00	\$28,514.52	\$0.48	\$1,997.00	
HAZARDOUS WASTE		\$14,006.02	\$13,678.50	\$327.52		
GENERAL EXPENSES		\$24,425.00	\$16,887.22	\$158.40		\$7,379.38
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL		\$330,200.00	\$330,200.00	\$0.00		
LANDFILL MAINTENANCE		\$1,000.00	\$6,289.24	\$210.76		
<b>531-COUNCIL ON AGING</b>						
SALARIES		\$70,533.00	\$72,551.00	\$0.00	\$2,018.00	
EXPENSES		\$9,325.00	\$9,325.00	\$0.00		
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$18,518.00	\$21,539.24	\$0.76		
<b>551-VETERANS' SERVICES</b>						
VETS. AGENT SALARY		\$2,003.00	\$2,074.00	\$0.00	\$71.00	
VETS. SERV. OFF. SALARY		\$2,655.00	\$2,748.00	\$0.00	\$93.00	
GENERAL EXPENSES		\$200.00	\$55.00	\$145.00		
VETERANS' BENEFITS		\$5,500.00	\$6,593.52	\$6.48		
MEMORIAL DAY EXPENSES		\$800.00	\$799.78	\$0.22		
<b>571-TOWN CEMETERY</b>						
SALARIES		\$0.00		\$0.00		
EXPENSES		\$3,000.00	\$2,913.24	\$86.76		



APPROPRIATIONS, AND BALANCES			TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>601-LIBRARY</b>							
DIRECTOR SALARY	\$49,595.00			\$51,321.00	\$0.00	\$1,726.00	
SALARIES	\$168,410.00			\$168,160.49	\$6,118.51	\$5,869.00	
OLD COLONY NETWORK	\$14,750.00			\$14,750.00	\$0.00		
LIBRARY EXPENSES	\$87,810.00			\$87,810.00	\$0.00		
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00	\$0.00		
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$19,217.00			\$19,216.69	\$0.31		
<b>621-RECREATION COMM.</b>							
SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY	\$42,935.00			\$46,374.00	\$0.00	\$3,439.00	
SALARIES	\$30,689.00			\$31,565.47	\$0.53	\$877.00	
EXPENSES	\$5,896.00			\$5,896.00	\$0.00		
<b>700-DEBT SERVICE PRIN.</b>							
TOWN	\$130,000.00			\$130,000.00	\$0.00		
WATER	\$115,000.00			\$115,000.00	\$0.00		
<b>700-DEBT SERVICE INTER.</b>							
TOWN	\$35,170.00			\$99,492.50	(\$64,322.50)		
WATER	\$210,895.00			\$179,722.29	\$31,172.71		
TEMPORARY BONDS	\$40,406.00			\$68,708.39	(\$28,302.39)		
<b>TOTALS: ARTICLE II</b>	<b>\$18,793,975.17</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$19,139,101.76</b>	<b>\$296,016.69</b>	<b>\$654,313.94</b>	<b>\$13,170.66</b>	
APPROPRIATIONS, AND BALANCES			TRANSFERS	EXPENDED	CLOSED TO REVENUE	T/F FROM ARTICLES	FORWARD TO FY 1998
<b>401-WATER DEPT.</b>							
TREATMENT PLANT OPER							
COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	\$2,100.00			\$2,100.00	\$0.00		
SUPERINTENDENT	\$49,588.00			\$51,311.93	\$1.07	\$1,725.00	
CLERICAL SALARIES	\$43,712.00			\$41,241.37	\$4,389.63	\$1,919.00	
DEPARTMENT SALARIES	\$149,550.00			\$147,592.56	\$1,957.44		
GENERAL EXPENSES	\$271,754.00			\$271,382.36	\$371.64		\$11,489.76
299-CAPITAL OUTLAY-WATER	\$28,451.76			\$16,962.00			
	<b>\$545,155.76</b>		<b>\$530,590.22</b>	<b>\$6,719.78</b>	<b>\$3,644.00</b>	<b>\$11,489.76</b>	

**FY97 SPECIAL ARTICLES**

DATE OF TOWN				APPROPRIATIONS, BALANCES		EXPENDED	FORWARD TO FY 1998	TRANSFERS	CLOSED TO REVENUE
DEPT.	MEETING	SCH		FORWARD					
2	Nov 22 1993	991	Non-Union Employees	\$2,961.44	\$0.00		\$2,961.44		
2	Apr 24 1995	996	Increase for Non-Union Empl	\$3,518.00	\$0.00		\$3,518.00		
2	Apr 24 1995	996	Union Contract Obligations	\$1,357.00	\$0.00		\$1,357.00		
2	Apr 22 1996	997	Increase for Non-Union Employ	\$23,000.00			\$1,490.00	(\$21,510.00)	
2	Apr 22 1996	997	Union Contract Obligations	\$56,600.00			\$529.00	(\$56,071.00)	
3	April, 1987	750	Rt. 53 Corr. Plan Study	\$14,787.79	\$7,485.42		\$7,302.37		
3	Nov.13,1995	986	School Tennis & Track	\$30,000.00	\$16,942.32		\$13,057.68		
3	Dec.9,1996	764	Donovan Expenses	\$0.00	\$9,048.96		\$951.04	\$10,000.00	
3	Dec.9,1996	764	Professional Land Architect	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	
3	Dec.9,1996	764	Unpaid Bills Prior Year	\$0.00	\$451.69		\$0.00	\$451.69	
3	Apr.22 1996	997	Repair Gaffield Park	\$500.00	\$500.00		\$0.00		
29	Apr 24,1995	996	Revaluation	\$52,104.00	\$22,152.33		\$29,951.67		
35	Nov 13,1995	986	Town Bonds	\$18,000.00	\$13,337.31		\$4,662.69		
63	Apr 22,1996	997	Comprehensive open space	\$500.00	\$466.00		\$34.00		
103	May 6, 1989	792	Sara Title III	\$303.63	\$303.63		\$0.00		
103	Apr 22 1996	997	Prel.Plans-New Fire Station		\$240.00		\$24,760.00	\$25,000.00	
103	Apr 22 1996	997	Personal Protection Equipment		\$24,562.57		\$5,437.43	\$30,000.00	
103	Apr 22 1996	997	Adding (2) Two Firefighter/EMT				\$2,395.06	\$60,372.00	
105	May 6 1989	793	Hapatitis B	\$460.00	\$0.00		\$460.00	(\$57,976.94)	
200	Apr 25 1995	996	Student Computers&Books	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00		\$0.00		
200	Nov.13,1995	986	Funds for Public Schools	\$225.18	\$225.18		\$0.00		
200	Apr 22 1996	997	Waste Water Treatment Plant	\$20,000.00	\$6,823.00		\$13,177.00		
300	Apr, 1983	324	Drainage-Grove/Otis Hill	\$10,000.00	\$0.00		\$10,000.00		
300	Apr, 1991	995	Resurface Town Ways	\$24,546.55	\$24,546.55		\$0.00		
300	Apr.24 1995	996	Resurface Town Ways	\$150,000.00	\$4,393.25		\$145,606.75		
300	Apr 22 1996	997	Resurface Town Ways	\$100,000.00			\$100,000.00		
501	Oct, 1988	733	North River Clean-Up	\$5,955.00	\$0.00		\$5,955.00		
501	April, 1991	992	Rep.Drain.PineSt land/loc.	\$3,611.27	\$791.02		\$2,820.25		
501	April, 1991	992	Recycling Comm.Expenses	\$1,479.75	\$195.00		\$1,284.75		
571	Mar 1988 Sp	770	T/F from Art. 10, 1981	\$4,475.71	\$960.00		\$3,515.71		
621	March, 1988	787	Pine St. Parking Lot	\$2,617.91	\$1,565.32		\$1,052.59		
621	Apr 24,1995	996	Wetland Study	\$416.52	\$360.00		\$56.52		
				<b>\$547,419.75</b>	<b>\$155,349.55</b>		<b>\$394,335.95</b>	<b>\$2,265.75</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

FY96 SPECIAL ARTICLES

DATE OF TOWN		DEPT. MEETING		SCH		APPROPRIATIONS			FORWARD TO		CLOSED TO	
						BALANCES	FORWARD	EXPENDED	FY 1998	TRANSFERS	REVENUE	
401	May 5, 1997	343	Water Mains			\$0.00		\$0.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00		
401	April, 1991	992	Water Mains			\$15,478.82		\$15,471.14	\$7.68			
401	April, 1991	992	Purch.Geograph Info System			\$2,943.56		\$0.00	\$2,943.56			
401	April, 1993	994	Purchase Land			\$2,722.82		\$0.00	\$2,722.82			
401	April, 1993	994	Pumping Station			\$967.15		\$842.90	\$124.25			
401	April, 1995	996	Water Mains			\$37,800.00		\$37,800.00	\$0.00			
401	April, 1995	996	Well Exploration			\$15,000.00		\$15,000.00	\$0.00			
401	Apr 22 1996	997	Indirect Expenses			\$85,000.00		\$85,000.00	\$0.00			
401	Apr 22 1996	997	Well Exploration			\$25,000.00		\$0.00	\$25,000.00			
						<b>\$74,912.35</b>	<b>\$69,114.04</b>	<b>\$35,798.31</b>	<b>\$30,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>		
						<b>\$622,332.10</b>	<b>\$224,463.59</b>	<b>\$430,134.26</b>	<b>\$32,265.75</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>		



DEPT	ITEM	Transfers	Borrowed	Expended	Forward 1998
<b>FUND 30 - SPTM 96fy</b>					
	Water Treatment Plant	\$300,000.00	\$2,680,000.00	\$2,917,777.64	\$62,222.36
<b>Fund 31</b>					
101	Generator		\$18,728.00	\$18,727.88	\$0.12
103	Fire Engine		\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$0.00
107	Console		\$94,000.00	\$93,997.74	\$2.26
300	Repair Hwy Bldg		\$98,400.00	\$98,400.00	\$0.00
200	Ada Complicance		\$216,400.00	\$216,400.00	\$0.00
	High School Roof		\$599,960.00	\$598,320.03	\$1,639.97
	Cole Roof		\$219,110.00	\$171,465.00	\$47,645.00
	Jr. High Roof		\$717,000.00	\$717,000.00	\$0.00
	Cole Parking Lot		\$47,374.00	\$45,584.00	\$1,790.00
	Vinal Parking Lot		\$62,330.00	\$62,330.00	\$0.00
	High School Track *		\$125,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$0.00
	HS Tennis Courts *		\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$0.00
	* 'SPTM 11/13/95 96FY	\$30,000.00			
65	Town Hall Roof		\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
601	Library Parking Lot		\$19,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$0.00
	Library HVAC		\$36,498.00	\$36,498.00	\$0.00
10	ADA Compliance		\$100,000.00	\$75,073.95	\$24,926.05
	Cushing Roof		\$54,700.00	\$54,700.00	\$0.00
	Storm Windows		\$20,000.00		\$20,000.00
	Bonding Costs		\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$0.00
200	Sparrell Roof 95FY		\$92,500.00	\$92,500.00	\$0.00
	High School Roof 95FY		\$27,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$0.00
			\$2,833,000.00	\$2,736,996.60	\$96,003.40

DEPT	ITEM	Borrowed	Transfer	B/Forward	Expended	Forward 1998
<b>FUND 34 - ATM 5/12/92</b>						
65	Town Hall Town Hall Roof	\$15,000.00		\$11,495.00	\$11,150.00	\$345.00
101	<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b> Female Shower Facility Access Ramp	\$8,000.00 \$25,000.00		\$3,730.15 \$23,260.00	\$0.00 \$4,980.00	\$3,730.15 \$18,280.00
109	<b>TREE DEPARTMENT</b> Garage Doors	\$7,000.00		\$917.24	\$0.00	\$917.24
200	<b>SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</b> Cole School Roof	\$200,000.00 \$255,000.00		\$13,641.38 \$53,043.77	\$0.00 \$16,130.00	\$13,641.38 \$36,913.77
<b>FUND 35- ATM 5/12/92</b>						
103	<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b> Engine 4 SCBA Engine 1 Ambulance SCBA Equipment	\$125,000.00 \$15,000.00 \$75,000.00 \$30,000.00	Transfer to ambulance \$50,000.00	\$0.00 \$686.56 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$124.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$562.56 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00
109	<b>TREE DEPARTMENT</b> Tractor	\$35,000.00		\$2,067.50	\$0.00	\$2,067.50
531	<b>COUNCIL ON AGING</b> Handicap Van	\$10,000.00 \$290,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$2,668.95 \$5,423.01	\$0.00 \$124.00	\$2,668.95 \$5,299.01

## EXPENDITURES FROM OTHER FUNDS

### FUND 22 SCHOOL LUNCH

601 Food Service

\$300,147.00

\$300,147.00

### FUND 24 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Insurance Recovery	\$4,127.82
Police Gift Funds	\$6,483.38
Fire Gift Funds	\$2,083.88
Ambulance Gift Funds	\$555.71
School Revolving (Athletics)	\$19,477.46
Highway-Chap.90	\$178,879.12
Council on Aging	\$1,568.17
Library	\$676.46
Recreation Revolving	\$78,191.11
Recreation Women's Club	\$301.53

\$292,344.64

### FUND 25 FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS

627	Norwell Arts Lottery	\$3,708.13
728	Bikepath(Greenways)	\$2,486.00
663	D.A.R.E. Grant- Police	\$12,982.00
665	Fire Grants	\$1,500.63
600	Health Protection	\$40,218.00
605	Title VI 97FY	\$1,872.99
606	D.D.E. 97FY	\$3,420.17
607	Curriculum Study Group	\$4,936.64
608	Project Resource	\$86,973.50
609	School Title VI 96FY	\$0.00
610	Project Resource 96FY	\$1,490.10
629	Cranberry Career	\$3,342.76
634	D.A.R.E.-School	\$3,100.00
635	School Project Resources	\$0.00
636	Nynex net Day	\$240.44
637	Chapter 1	\$32,384.94
638	97FY Earlychildhood	\$11,555.92
644	Cole School PTO Grant	\$420.00
647	School Drug Free	\$6,892.00
649	School Earlychildhood	\$7,242.23
650	Curriculum Reform	\$3,298.00
654	Chapter 1	\$0.00
655	D.D.E.	\$571.00
656	School Improvement	\$0.00
729	PALMS	\$1,464.57
487	Conservation	\$291.03
501	Board of Health	\$8,200.34
531	Council on Aging	\$17,278.93
601	Library	\$5,505.48

\$261,375.80



## EXPENDITURES FROM OTHER FUNDS

### FUND 81 TRUST FUNDS

Washington St. Permanent Fund	\$0.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	\$133.00
Coffin Cemetery & Charity Fund	\$96.62
Farrar-Foster-Estes Cemetery Fun	\$0.00
Abigail T. Otis Cemetery Fund	\$48.32
Abigail T. Otis Tomb Fund	\$24.15
Fenger Fund - Library	\$0.00
Library Bicentennial Fund	\$0.00
Wakefield Poor Fund	\$0.00
Wakefield Library Fund	\$0.00
John Crocker bond Memorial Fun	\$400.00
Dorothy S. Fogg (A) Scholarship	\$1,400.00
Dorothy S. Fogg (B) Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Ashley/Minnie Jones Scholarship	\$450.00
Jacobs Farm Trust Fund	\$8,584.00
Conservation Fund	\$9,300.00
Stabilization Fund	\$320,372.00

Total Funds

\$341,808.09

### FUND 89 AGENCY FUNDS

Planning Deposit	\$46,230.35
Conservation Deposit	<u>\$4,561.44</u>

TOTAL FUND 89 AGENCY FUNDS:

\$50,791.79

TOWN OF NORWELL  
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS  
FUND 1  
JULY 1, 1996 - JUNE 30, 1997

GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS

Tax Collection (Net of Refunds)

403 Real Estate	\$14,300,967.52	
402 Personal Property	\$212,279.90	
400 Tax Liens Redeemed	\$152,685.64	
424 Motor Vehicle Excise	\$993,853.77	
427 Boat Excise	\$241.00	
426 Penalties on Taxes	\$193,680.77	
TOTAL TAX COLLECTION :		<u>\$15,853,708.60</u>

Departmental Revenue

411 Town Clerk	\$2,259.00	
410 Treasurer	\$9,900.00	
419 Ambulance	\$126,575.80	
420 School	\$9,863.34	
421 Library	\$3,463.50	
422 Recreation	\$16,725.00	
423 Town Cemetery	\$10,600.37	
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE :		<u>\$179,387.01</u>

Other Town Revenue

Fees	\$59,955.94	
Rentals	\$45,895.04	
Licenses & Permits	\$137,685.03	
Fines & Forfeits	\$99,276.40	
430 Unclassified Revenue	\$14,599.92	
431 Other Financial Sources	\$85,000.00	
426 Investment Income	\$234,820.68	
434 Special Taxes	\$8,853.60	
TOTAL OTHER TOWN REVENUE :		<u>\$686,086.61</u>

TOTAL FUND 1 REVENUE :	<u>\$16,719,182.22</u>
------------------------	------------------------

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

### State Shared Revenue

409 Abatements to vets, blind& surv. spouse	\$3,150.00
Abatements to the Elderly	\$15,564.00
Veterans' Benefits	\$0.00
Highway Fund	\$73,430.00
Lottery Beano Charity Games	\$453,724.00
School Aid: Chapter 70	\$1,136,729.00
Tuition for State Wards	\$15,069.00
School Transportation	\$111,758.00
State-owned Land	\$400.00
Charter Schools	\$7,421.00
Additional Assistance	\$680,878.00

\$2,498,123.00

TOTAL STATE SHARED REVENUE:

FUND I TOTAL REVENUE:

\$19,217,305.22



## REVENUE

### FUND 22 SCHOOL LUNCH

Charges for Meals	\$284,301.39	
State Reimbursements	\$4,409.77	
Federal Reimbursements	\$19,137.53	
Misc.Revenue	\$0.00	
		<hr/>
		\$307,848.69

### FUND 23 HIGHWAY

Proceeds /Temp Loans	\$0.00	
		<hr/>
		\$0.00

### FUND 24 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

603 Insurance Recovery	\$7,153.18	
64 Workmen's Comp	\$225.61	
641 Police Gifts	\$6,500.00	
668 Fire Gifts	\$2,735.00	
631 School Revolving (Athletics)	\$25,457.78	
622 C.O. A. Gift Fund	\$2,996.00	
623 Library	\$1,504.54	
612 Recreation Revolving	\$91,569.60	
300 Highway Chapter 15 & 33	\$61,861.83	
664 Waterway Improvements	\$120.50	
		<hr/>
		\$200,124.04

### FUND 25 FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS

627 Norwell Arts Lottery	\$3,249.00	
728 Bikeway path (Greenways)	\$2,486.00	
600 School Health Protection	\$40,218.00	
605 Title VI 97FY	\$3,117.00	
606 D.D.E. 97FY	\$3,548.00	
607 Curriculum Study Group	\$5,281.00	
608 97FY Project Resource	\$90,785.00	
629 Cranberry Career	\$3,393.00	
636 Nynex Net Day	\$1,000.00	
637 Chapter 1	\$25,190.00	
638 97FY Earlychildhood	\$16,269.00	
644 Cole School PTO Grant	\$420.00	
647 School Drug Free	\$6,892.00	
654 I T Bond tech	\$52,170.00	
656 Cranberry Alliance	\$2,500.00	
729 PALMS	\$2,714.57	
300 Highway - snow and ice	\$75,330.00	
651 Police Law Enforcement	\$2,625.91	
663 Police D.A.R.E.	\$8,300.00	
665 S.A.F.E.	\$1,500.00	
501 Board of Health	\$18,000.00	
531 Council on aging	\$17,247.02	
601 Library	\$10,543.46	
		<hr/>
		\$392,778.96

## REVENUE

### FUND 81 TRUST FUNDS

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	\$15,038.04
Washington Street Cemetery Permanent Fund	\$10,370.16
Coffin Cemetery & Charity Fund	\$92.80
Farrar-Foster-Estes Cemetery Fund	\$70.51
Abigail T. Otis Cemetery Fund	\$46.42
Abigail T. Otis Tomb Fund	\$23.20
Abigail T. Otis Charity Fund	\$721.83
Fenger Fund	\$484.78
Library Bicentennial Fund	\$19.37
Wakefield Library Fund	\$4.86
Wakefield Poor Fund	\$440.62
John Crocker Bond Memorial Fund	\$340.31
Tricentennial Trust Fund	\$12.16
Dorothy S. Fogg (A) Scholarship Fund	\$1,216.27
Dorothy S. Fogg (B) Scholarship Fund	\$1,205.85
Ashley/Minnie Jones Scholarship Fund	\$480.59
Jacobs Homestead Farmhouse	\$5,626.74
Conservation Fund	\$2,745.83
Stabilization Fund	\$11,153.04

TOTAL FUND 81 TRUST FUNDS: \$50,093.38

## REVENUE

### FUND 89 AGENCY FUNDS

Planning Board Deposit	\$49,900.00
Conservation Deposit	\$6,663.87
Valley Swamp Escrow	\$485.97
South Street Land/Vega Trust	\$597.62

TOTAL FUND 89 AGENCY FUNDS: \$57,647.46

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Carol Ann Amado, Town Accountant*

*Rita Turco, Assistant Town Accountant*

# RESERVE FUND

TR	DATE	DEPT	LINE ITEM	DEPARTMENT NA	AMOUNT	DECLINING BALANCE	JL
						\$225,000.00	
1	9/24/96	101	235-5430	POLICE	\$10,100.00	\$214,900.00	20
2	9/13/96	109	244-5380	TREE & GROUNDS	\$25,220.00	\$189,680.00	32
3	10/18/96	47	219-5496	PERSONNEL	\$2,500.00	\$187,180.00	32
4	10/18/96	47	219-5496	PERSONNEL	\$250.00	\$186,930.00	32
5	11/27/96	47	219-5496	PERSONNEL	\$2,600.00	\$184,330.00	62
6	1/14/97	47	219-5496	PERSONNEL	\$218.28	\$184,111.72	83
7	1/28/97	501	283-5307	BOARD OF HEALT	\$5,500.00	\$178,611.72	86
8	2/3/97	47	219-5496	PERSONNEL	\$63.00	\$178,548.72	87
9	3/10/97	45	216-5302	LEGAL	\$60.82	\$178,487.90	98
10	3/18/97	3	201-5303	SELECTMEN	\$96.00	\$178,391.90	99
11	3/24/97	300	270-5410	HIGHWAY	\$8,000.00	\$170,391.90	103
12	3/28/97	3	201-5303	SELECTMEN	\$200.00	\$170,191.90	104
13	4/15/97	45	216-5302	LEGAL	\$900.00	\$169,291.90	110
14	4/15/97	45	216-5307	LEGAL	\$1,946.72	\$167,345.18	110
15	4/15/97	45	216-5302	LEGAL	\$3,404.50	\$163,940.68	110
16	4/22/97	3	201-5303	SELECTMEN	\$66.00	\$163,874.68	110
17	4/24/97	551	286-5770	VETERANS	\$1,100.00	\$162,774.68	112
18	5/5/97	3	201-5303	SELECTMEN	\$702.50	\$162,072.18	115
19	5/6/97	63	224-5307	PLANNING BOARD	\$1,486.20	\$160,585.98	116
20	5/8/97	531	299-5298	COUNCIL ON AGIN	\$3,022.00	\$157,563.98	118
21	5/27/97	3	201-5303	SELECTMEN	\$250.00	\$157,313.98	125
22	5/27/97	3	201-5303	SELECTMEN	\$55.00	\$157,258.98	125
23	5/27/97	45	216-5307	LEGAL	\$5,943.10	\$151,315.88	125
24	5/27/97	45	216-5302	LEGAL	\$4,729.30	\$146,586.58	125
25	6/17/97	107	134-5110	EMERG COMM	\$11,500.00	\$135,086.58	142
26	6/17/97	103	238-5430	FIRE	\$1,715.00	\$133,371.58	142
27	6/17/97	45	216-5307	LEGAL	\$2,060.82	\$131,310.76	142
28	6/17/97	45	216-5302	LEGAL	\$2,940.00	\$128,370.76	142
29	6/17/97	35	213-5207	TREASURER	\$671.85	\$127,698.91	142
30	6/30/97	300	268-5532	HIGHWAY SNOW	\$38,083.79	\$89,615.12	155
31	6/30/97	501	156-5110	HEALTH DEPT	\$272.00	\$89,343.12	155
32	7/8/97	45	216-5302	LEGAL	\$3,981.25	\$85,361.87	160
33	7/8/97	45	216-5307	LEGAL	\$336.57	\$85,025.30	160
34	7/14/97	3	201-5300	SELECTMEN	\$1,905.50	\$83,119.80	161
35	7/14/97	3	201-5307	SELECTMEN	\$2,925.76	\$80,194.04	161
36						\$80,194.04	
37						\$80,194.04	
38						\$80,194.04	



**For Reference**

**Not to be taken  
from this library**



